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Speaking of Living

As versatile an architect as any that has come our way in a long time is Chicago-born, bred, educated, and employed **JULES MARLING**, designer of the house featured in *The Architect Champions the Small Home*, page 56. Over the years, his experience in design has run the gamut from heavy construction to $100,000 homes to small suburban residences. Unlike the specialist, an architect of diversity finds in one field ideas that can be modified and applied in a totally different field. New uses of materials and construction principles are a special interest of Marling's; concerning future homes, he reports exciting ideas of building with steel framing and prefabricated wall sections.

The hobby that turns into a profession is a familiar story. **THOMAS DEAN**, of Dallas, Texas, is proof that it happens in the architectural business, too. While at college, he took architecture as a fill-in subject. When he had to supplement his funds for college expenses, instead of baby-sitting or selling pop at football games, he designed houses! It developed into such a successful side line, Tom dropped his original plan to be a teacher of mathematics, and devoted full time to architecture. A member of the A.I.A. as well as of the Texas Society of Architects, he collaborated with C. H. Jordan in designing the houses shown in *How Two Architects Design for Good Value*, page 70.

A good beginning presages a good future, and in the case of **DONALD HONN**, designer of the house we show on page 80, the facts bear out the prediction. At the University of Illinois, Donald turned in an outstanding record, graduating at the head of his class. His work in the architectural field is no less distinguished. Varied in his work, Donald Honn has to his credit a school, a medical unit, a war memorial, as well as many homes. Travel is a big interest in his life, and it's always a busman's holiday; he studies local architecture everywhere he goes!

If visitors at an exhibition of a model room knew how much planning, labor, and midnight oil go into developing a room from idea to reality, we think they would pause a little longer each time they see one. At least that's the thought that comes to mind as we look back over a kitchen we set up recently. Planned for the **NATIONAL HOME FURNISHINGS SHOW** at Grand Central Palace, it was important that the kitchen be assembled exactly as it would appear at the show so that photographs could be taken. Editor of architecture, **SANDY KNOWLTON**, and food and appliance editor, **MARGARET SPADER** set to work on the plan, and **PAUL KRAUSS** tackled the decoration. To assemble the kitchen, staffers trooped down to **KREAMER, PENNSYLVANIA**, where the kitchen cabinets were manufactured, and a large trailer barn was chosen for the assembling site. Word spread rapidly through the small town that some visitors were building a kitchen in a *barn*, and from all quarters, Kreamer folks came to see for themselves. With a full-house audience the job went ahead. After photographing, the kitchen was dismantled, and moved to New York for reassembly and the Show opening. Moving days are not over yet. The LIVING kitchen goes into the packing crates once more—next showing the Chicago Home Builders' Convention in January!

The advent of Christmas reminds one of many things, among them the continuing battle that is being waged against tuberculosis by the sale of **CHRISTMAS SEALS**, which we put on cards and gifts. The National Tuberculosis Association is especially proud of this year's design, the work of E. Willis Jones and Elmer Jacobs. It is a design particularly suitable for a suggestion which the Association has made: use strips of seals to spell out your Christmas message or the name of the person receiving your gift. The more seals you use, the more the Association can accomplish in its medical program of research, treatment, and rehabilitation, hastening the day when tuberculosis will be conquered.

BEFORE: KITCHEN IS BORN AT KREAMER, PA.

AFTER: DEBUT AT HOME FURNISHINGS

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We quickly contacted the Swingles who were most kind and put us in touch with their architect. He adapted the plans somewhat to meet our own needs and property. Though the exterior is the same as the Swingles', the houses are quite dissimilar due to the different settings. Needless to say, we are so delighted with it that we wanted you to know your part in our new home.

Mrs. T. C. Williamson
Whiteville, North Carolina

A RUNNING COMMENTARY

Dear LFYH:
We are one of many couples whose lives hang upon one word —"transferred!" We have moved six times during our four years of marriage. My husband is employed by a large retail chain store and his progress has been dependent upon our willingness to move wherever he is needed—from New York to Illinois, Chicago and Rockford, to Detroit and now back to New York. We struggled along, sewed and painted each place into respectability, and would just begin to rest on our laurels when—you guessed it!

We have sacrificed the security and serenity of familiar vistas for the instability but excitement of living on the run. We have given full scope to our abilities by being unafraid to travel the road we have chosen, by always looking forward to the challenges ahead, by peeking over the horizons of the future where our efforts and our experience will help us to find greater security for ourselves and for the children we hope to have. We have learned to make many houses home and to carry our love and stability along with our baggage wherever we go.

LFYH has given us many hours of pleasure and pages of advice during our years on the move, so we feel a personal interest in you and wanted you to know how one more couple lives.

Mrs. Cecile Singer
Forest Hills, New York

SCRAPING THE BARREL

Dear Editors:
My husband is in the air force and since rentals are so high around a military base, what we would desire in a furnished apartment is far above our budget. So we chose to make our own furniture. I know there are many couples who can't afford to buy all new furniture and we must keep in mind how well what we do purchase will hold up in moving.

We have made two lounge chairs of 500-gallon barrels, a hassock and toy chest also of barrels covered in plastic. Our braided rug, which I made, is really what makes the room. The only cost was the thread to sew it together, since I got the frieze scraps from a furniture factory that only burned them if no one wanted them. Cider jugs were turned into lamps, sheets into curtains. Some of our tables were made at the hobby shop at the air base. Two little sand buckets with green vines hang from wall brackets. These are only a few of our projects, but you can see that our furnishings have cost us very little, yet we have a temporary home which is quite attractive. Of course we value it much

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Many couples getting along on fewer furnishings could actually be enjoying themselves by creating their own.

Mrs. C. D. Parsons
Riverside, California

A "GROWING" NEED

Gentlemen:
We enjoy your magazine each month and feel it offers us many ideas, but it still by-passes our specific needs and those of others in our age and income group.

We are in our low thirties. Like many other World War II veterans' families we like a big family. We have three children and number four is expected. So, we've outgrown the two-bedroom ranch. When you have a family this size you want space, not multipurpose units; you want a big kitchen and an honest-to-goodness dining room to eat in. We've strained the budget to remodel our present home. No builder today seems to be offering anything which fits our needs as well as budget.

Mrs. David Badenoch, Jr.
Wilmette, Illinois

EDITOR'S NOTE: *Builders all over the country are toiling with means and methods to give more space for the money. We have to face the fact that space costs money. One answer to the problem is the expansible house plan referred to in the following letter. Another is the remodeling of the older, larger houses. We are working on houses for large families now and are experimenting with materials and costs to give the best possible house for the least possible price.*

Dear Sir:
We are so very excited over the expansible plan by architect G. Hugh Tsuruoka in *A House That Grows With the Family* in your September issue. We hope this very issue will make a milestone for our family who is growing by leaps and bounds. As soon as our *Home Building Kit* arrives we hope to get right to work on estimates and bids to make this dream a reality by spring.

I think you have hit the nail on the head with this flexible and practical plan.

Mrs. Claiborne Smith
Burlington, North Carolina

THE WAYS AND MEANS

Dear Editors:
We are the so-called Mr. and Mrs. Average of the stories, are under 35, have two children, and with lots of work and a little finagling we now have our own home.

We found a lot in the suburbs, paid for it through savings and monthly payments; used the land as collateral whereby we worked out a deal for materials with a lumber company. We found a plan after much searching which would conform to the building code, fit our narrow lot, and suit our needs; invested in a couple of do-it-yourself housebuilding books, and finally started digging.

As you can well imagine, our finances were cut to the bone and we made all sorts of economies. Everything was postdated to "When we get into the house. . . ." But you certainly don't mind doing things like living in a cheap apartment, making-do on skimpy furnishings, and a ten-year-old car when you know it is only for a short time and that it means getting a home of your own. We even got a barber set and I learned to cut Oliver's hair.

We negotiated with a loan company—making sure not to get in too deep—and discovered we could pay for contracted work after the house was completed. Eighteen months from the day we bought the land we moved in. We found our furniture from your January, 1953 issue (*A Room That Never Says Don't*).

Some folks we know buy their land on terms and live on it in a trailer while they build. Others build a two-car garage and live in it while they work on the house. But the easiest method we have heard of yet for that down payment on a home is to borrow from Dad!

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Stamping envelopes

Lubri-cube

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FILES

Cleaning glass

Squeeze-bottle spray

I have discovered a convenient and economical way to clean my mirrors and windows. All you need is a plastic squeeze-bottle, water and detergent (or vinegar). Fill the bottle with the cleaning solution, just spray on mirror or window and wipe off with a cloth. The bottle is so handy to carry around, and you'll find that the cleaning solution goes a long way. It's a time- and money-saver. Mrs. James Grumley, Joliet, Ill.

FILES

Buffet supper

Food Warmer

An insulated ice bucket serves a dual purpose: it can be used to keep in heat as well as cold. The next time you have a buffet supper (or a special dinner) use it to keep food warm, and in addition add an unusual touch to your table. You can feature a main course (chili, barbecue) in it, or if the ice bucket has a handle, use it to serve hot hors d'oeuvres before dinner. Mrs. R. M. Erwin, St. Petersburg, Fla.

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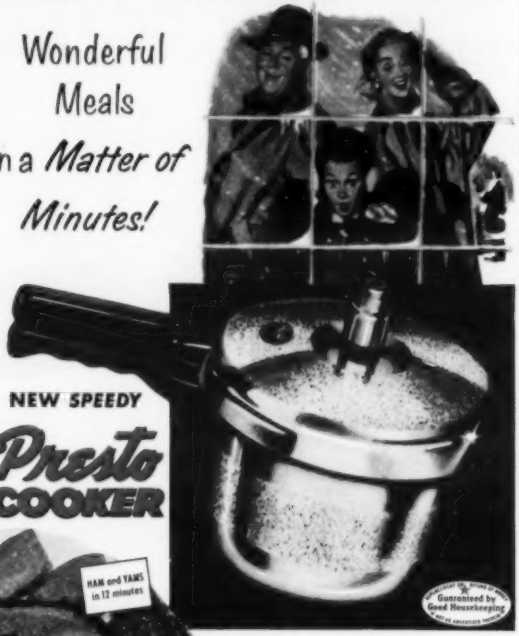

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Our file box

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FILES — Scouring pad

Pilot light—rust free

My metal scouring pads that I use for cleaning pots and pans and for scrubbing vegetables (such as carrots or beets) became rusty when stored on my sink shelf. Here is a simple method for keeping them rust free. After using, rinse the pad and place it on the stove over the pilot light: all the moisture in the pad evaporates quickly. When dry, just put away: pad is clean and ready for use. Mrs. Walter W. Schullstrom, Tulsa, Okla.

FILES — Storage

Christmas tree ornaments

An empty egg carton makes a safe and handy storage box for small Christmas tree ornaments. When the tree decorations come down, there always seem to be extra ones with no special boxes of their own. Just place them in the compartments of an egg carton. To doubly insure against breakage, cover with a layer of cotton before sealing the box. Objects will be safe and sound until next year. Mrs. H. E. Menker, El Cerrito, Calif.

FILES — Bookcase

Cork bricks

I found that our small bookcases, which we made from portable board shelves and red building bricks, were difficult to move due to the weight of the bricks. I solved this problem by using insulating cork, 2" x 18" x 36" (available in other thicknesses). Cut the cork into bricks or desired size with a handsaw. To be sure that corners do not crumble, apply a coat of shellac. Mrs. Clyde Heasly, Jr., Berkeley, California.

FILES — Child's room

Shade blackboard

An old window shade makes a perfect blackboard for the children. Trim off the frayed edges, and paint the shade with blackboard coating. When dry, hang in a convenient place in the children's room. When not in use, shade can be rolled up out of the way. The youngsters will enjoy pulling it down and rolling it up. Supplied with erasers and chalk, they will keep busy for hours. Mrs. Ernest Miller, Lansing, Mich.

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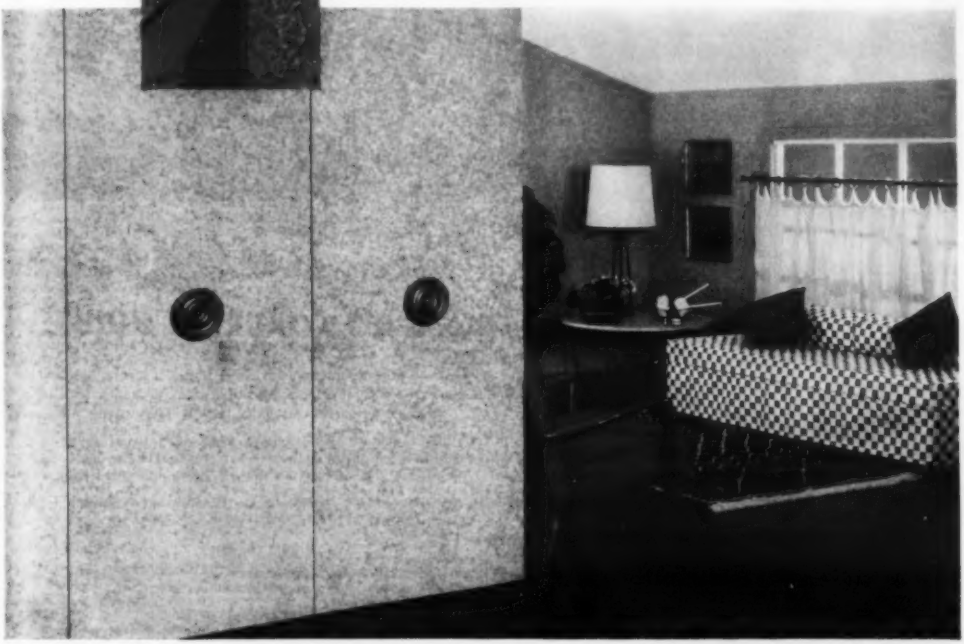

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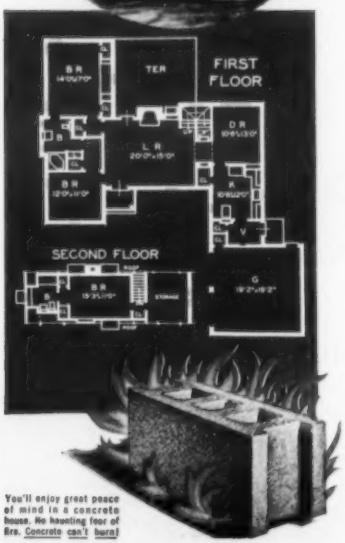

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BEST IN BOOKLETS

Our young readers are vigorously (and reassuringly) individualistic, true, but their letters reveal a common bond: their belief that comfort and charm are essentials in successful homemaking. For them we review, in each issue, booklets full of professional know-how on achieving a smoother, better-run ménage. Whenever you write for them, we would appreciate your mentioning LIVING For Young Homemakers.

FOR BETTER HOMES

Kitchen planning isn't a matter to be rushed into unawares when you stop to think of all the time you'll be spending in that important area. *How Low Cost Cabinets Can Modernize Your Home* is filled with hints to save you time and needless steps later on, shows how much space is needed in different work areas, tells you how to install your own kitchen cabinets. Valuable, too, is the kitchen planning guide that lets you plan accurately on paper your very own kitchen. Illustrated are many of the types of cabinets available to satisfy kitchen needs. Walters Mfg. Co. (L-12B), P.O. Box 292, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. 10c.

Handy helper for decoration planners is the *Gulistan Carpets Decor-Rater*, an informative aid in the form of a slide rule. It's a color guide that will help you pick wall, drapery, upholstery, and accent colors to complement your carpeting—all at a single glance. In addition there are rules for choosing the right size carpet for your rooms, points to consider in purchasing carpeting, and suggestions for the proper style carpet to go well with the period of your furniture. A. & M. Karagheusian, Inc. (L-12B), 295 Fifth Ave., New York 16, N. Y. 10c.

FOOD TALK

Entertaining can be one of the great joys of homemaking—or a tremendous headache. *The Golden Touch of Hospitality* can turn you from a harried host, dreading the arrival of guests, to a confident entertainer. Containing a large selection of taste-tantalizing recipes, hors d'oeuvres, side dishes and desserts, the booklet also discusses the all-important subjects of planning and staging a party. One valuable chapter covers entertaining emergencies, lists exactly what supplies to keep on hand to handle unexpected guests. House of Seagram (L-12B), P. O. Box 193, New York 10, N. Y. 25c.

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Frozen foods have come to be such a natural part of modern living that knowing how to freeze foods at home is becoming a part of many homemakers' basic knowledge. *Home Freezing of Fruits and Vegetables* is a comprehensive introduction to the subject and covers in detail preparation of virtually every known fruit or vegetable. In addition to specific information, there are general, helpful tips and special recipes utilizing frozen fruits and vegetables. American Sugar Refining Company (L-12B), 120 Wall Street, New York 5, N. Y. Free.

FOR OTHER USES

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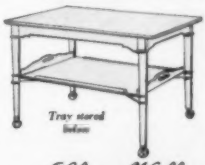

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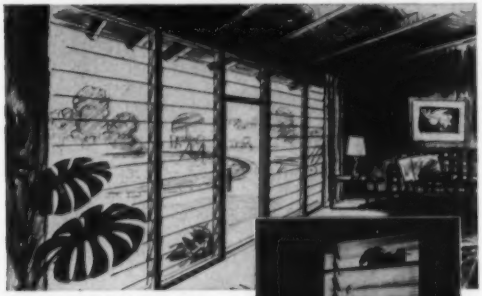

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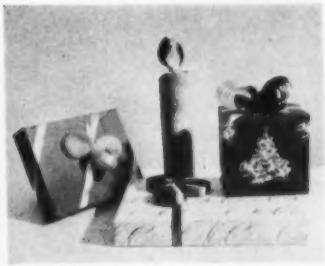

THE WHIRL BOW is a simple trick that can be turned in several ways to add imaginative sparkle to your Christmas gift wrappings. First, wind tiny loop around thumb. Holding this loop firmly between thumb and forefinger, continue to make successively larger loops, slipping bottom of each loop between thumb and forefinger. When a suitable number of graduated loops have been formed—seven or eight—take a thin strip of ribbon, six inches long, slip it through the smallest knot to hold the loops together when thumb and forefinger are removed. Finished bow is ready to be attached to package singly or in a grouping with others. Use the thin strip which holds the loops together to attach to ribbon which ties package. When ends of thin strip are passed under ribbon, crossed and pulled taut, bow will stand up smartly. The basic whirl bow can be varied in many ways to give special effects. In bottom illustration, sides of bow are being pinched and bottom of loop pushed up to shape bow into bell shape. Another possibility, particularly effective on a tall, thin package, is the candle flame bow. First make small whirl bow of red ribbon. Then using this as a center add loops of yellow ribbon. Finish and attach as with ordinary whirl bow. With a little practice you can work out your own variations using the simple whirl bow as a starting point

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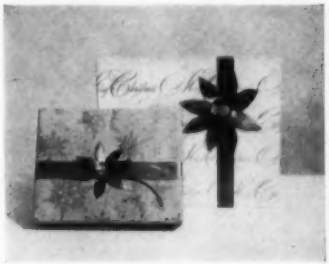

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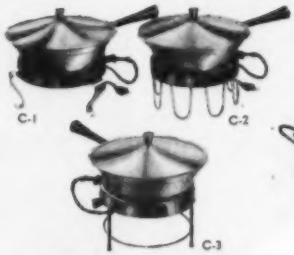

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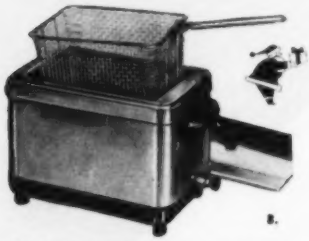

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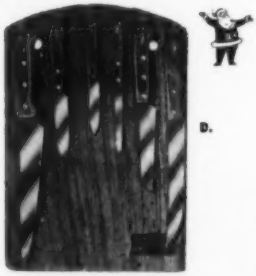

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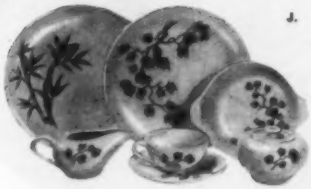

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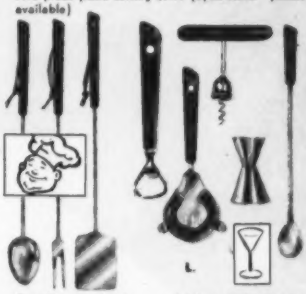

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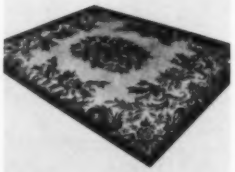

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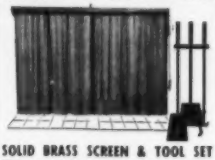

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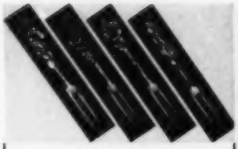

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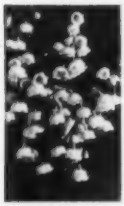

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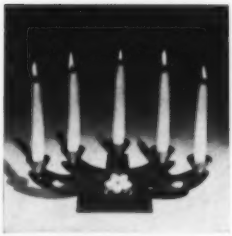

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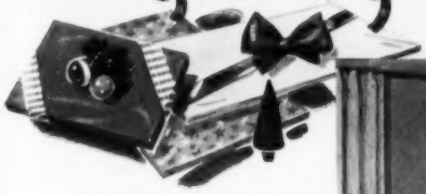

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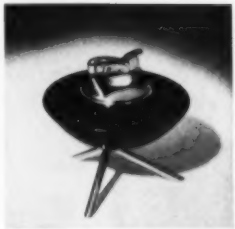

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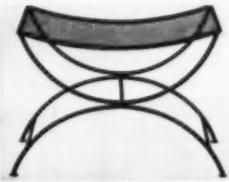

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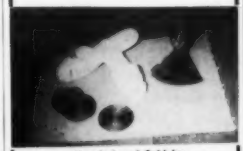

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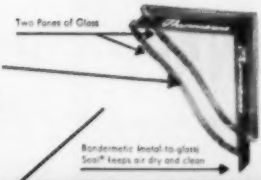

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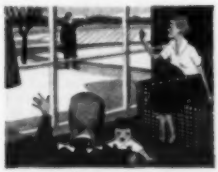

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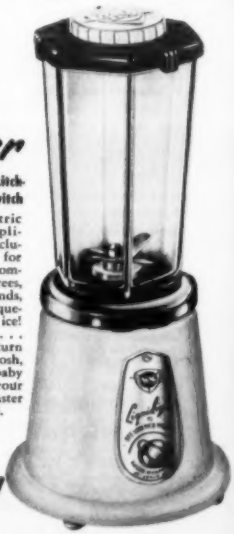

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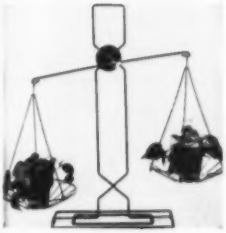

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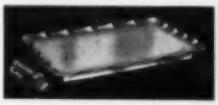

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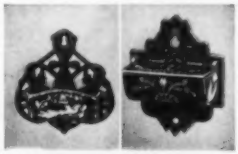

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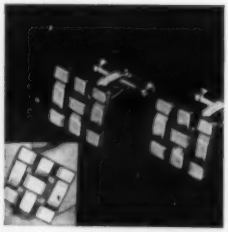

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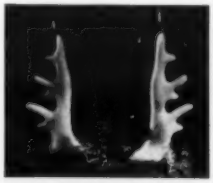

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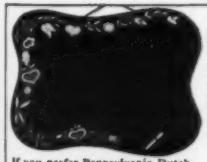

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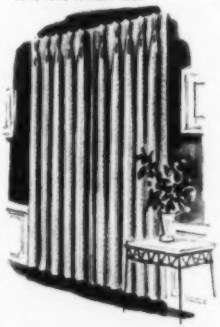

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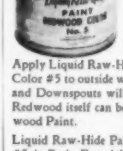

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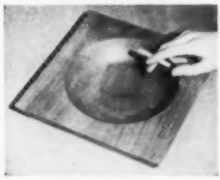

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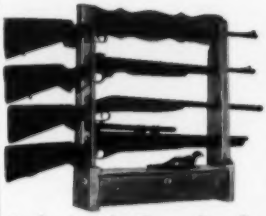

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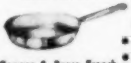

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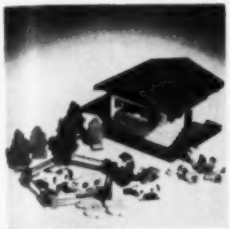

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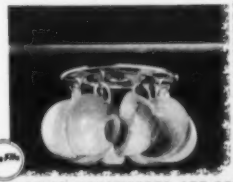

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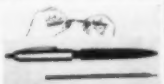

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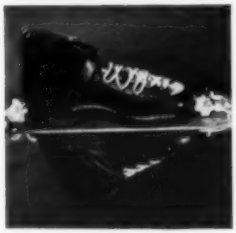

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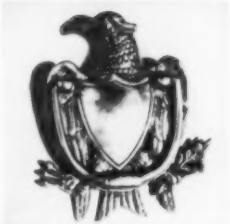

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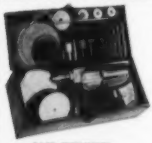

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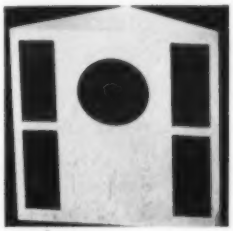

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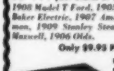

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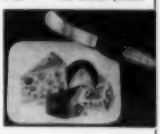

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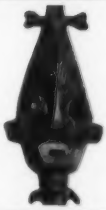

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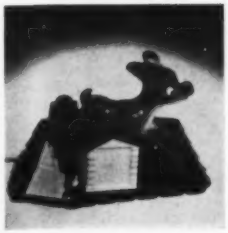

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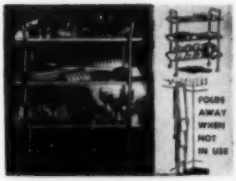

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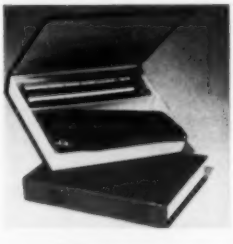

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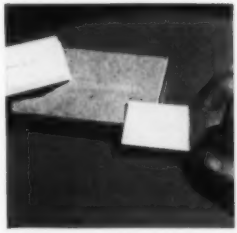

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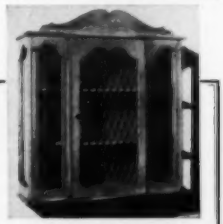

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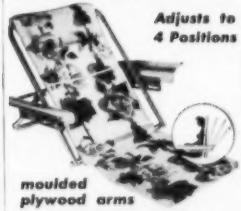

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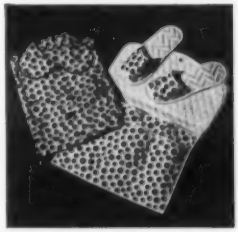

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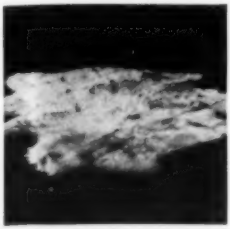

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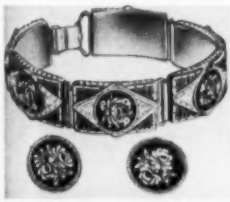

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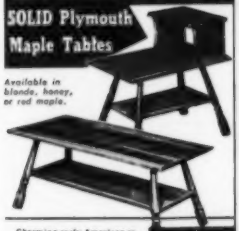

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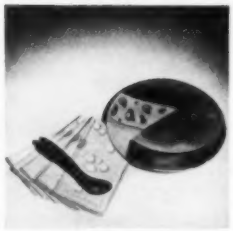

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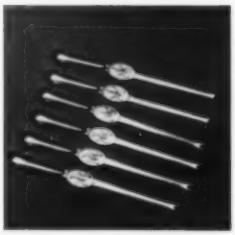

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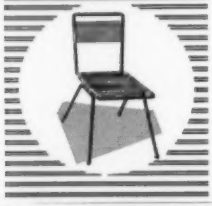

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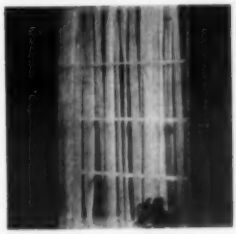

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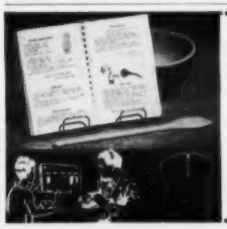

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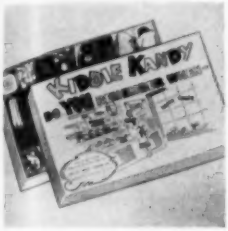

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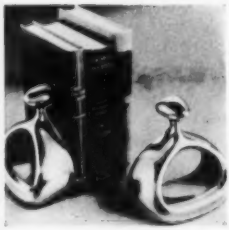

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RICHARD FISH

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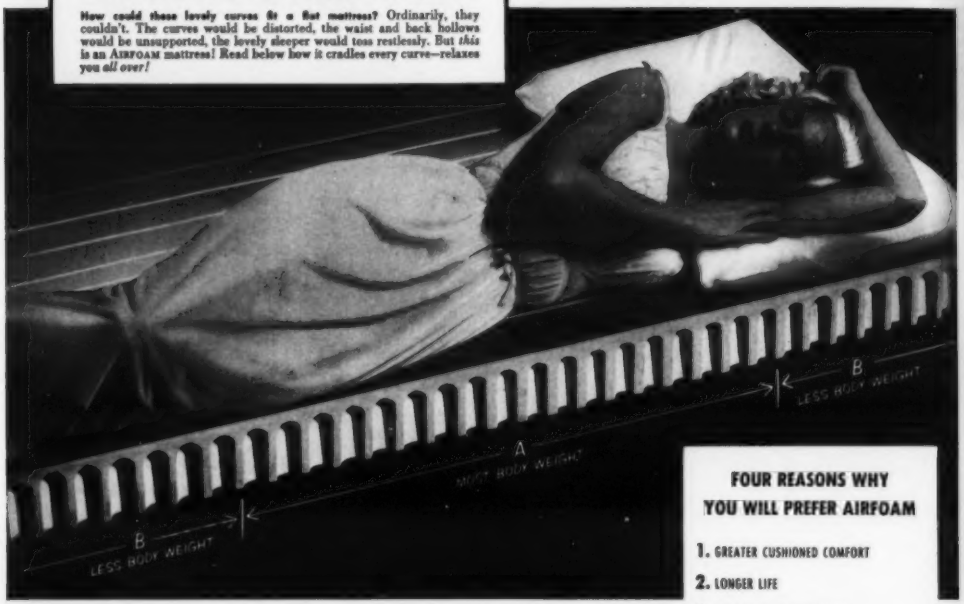

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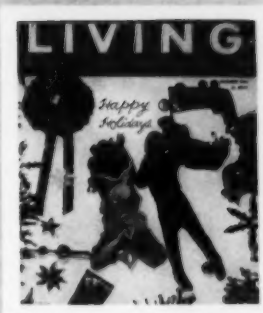

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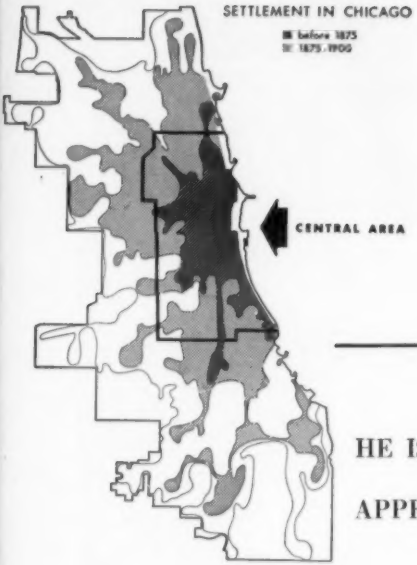


the architect's role

HE IS MAKING GREAT CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE APPEARANCE AND FUNCTION OF OUR CITIES

The doctor protects the health of his community; the attorney assumes responsibility for interpreting the law; the merchant and banker invigorate the climate of local free enterprise. The contribution of each is the result of specific training and experience. Traveling from home to office, walking through the residential and business districts of our towns and cities—met by the shoddy sight of whole sections deteriorated into slums, of areas without a vestige of design or planning—we begin to estimate the worth of still another profession, that of the architect. We begin to see clearly the immediate and future need of his contribution to the welfare of human existence.

An example of the architect's ability to give a more agreeable expression to our communities and to extend the value and function of our property is apparent in a current exhibit sponsored jointly by the Chicago Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, the Chicago Plan Commission, and LIVING For Young Homemakers. This exhibit is being held, appropriately, in one of the city's newest and architecturally most contemporary buildings, the Greyhound Bus terminal. It is arranged to show graphically how the architect, acting as a member of the Chicago Plan Commission *and* as a private practitioner, is striving through his technical knowledge and skill to make his community a more healthful and enjoyable place in which to live.

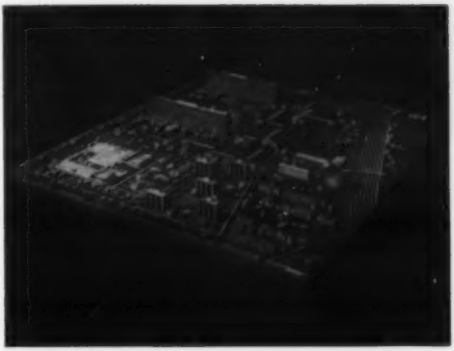
A visitor to the exhibit starts with two large maps of the city. The first is a plan of the metropolitan area, with emphasis on the expressway system which has been engineered to move people about the city. It explains the intricacies of highways which by-pass the city for through-traffic and of others which link suburban sections to the downtown business district. Because the path of traffic is greatly responsible for the improvement or deterioration of residential and business areas, the intelligent planning and efficient operation of this expressway system is of direct concern to every citizen.

Another map shows the growth of Chicago since 1875 (above, left), four years after the disastrous fire which caused the city to be completely rebuilt. Growth since then has proceeded steadily in all directions except eastward where expansion is, of course, impeded by Lake Michigan. Areas designated on this map have been the basis for study in developing the much-needed "neighborhood plan" in Chicago. From such a map the city's Plan Commission plots new neighborhoods in respect to the present state of growth and to possible future expansion. The architect then becomes active in the neighborhood plan and the design of individual buildings in it.

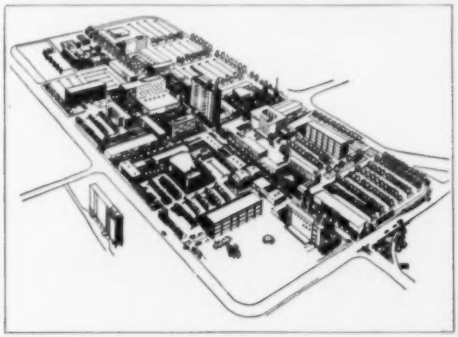
in his community

The exhibit goes into detail to show exactly how the architect and City Planning Board organize a typical neighborhood. Examples of buildings which would be found in such a community—homes, schools, churches, hospitals, commercial and industrial structures—are shown in relation to their location in the tract. These examples were chosen by a committee made up of members of the three sponsoring bodies. Among the requirements for the eligibility of an entry were these: buildings must have been designed by a registered architect; they must actually have been constructed in the Chicago area, must be suitable for a typical, integrated neighborhood.

Eight of the many designs selected for presentation are shown on the next two pages. In dramatic fashion, they foretell the clean, forthright surroundings which will, in large measure, shape the attitudes of the residents of such intelligently planned communities. They suggest the fundamental influence the architect may have on the lives of his fellow citizens. For these reasons, it is hoped that this exhibit may inspire other cities to adopt similar programs which will help sharp-focus the significant part played by architects and city planners. It is hoped, too, that the young men and women who take part in civic affairs will support the efforts to improve their cities and towns. These young people will one day comprise the church, hospital and school boards, and the municipal councils; as such, they will have a profound influence in shaping the communities of the future.



MODELS AND DRAWINGS are dramatic evidence of what can be done to lift the face of a large city. Above is a redeveloped housing area designed by the Chicago Land Clearance Commission and the architectural firm, Skidmore, Owings & Merrill. Depicted below is a typical neighborhood replanned by the Chicago Plan Commission



THE CITY OF THE FUTURE IS FORETOLD BY BUILDINGS SHOWN ON NEXT TWO PAGES

SMALL HOME

ROBERT BRUCE TAGUE, ARCHITECT

THIS CONTEMPORARY HOME in Highland Park, Illinois, reflects the trend of postwar residential architecture in Chicago's suburbs. It is an example of how good design in the small town can prolong the life and value of a whole neighborhood

LEGION MEMORIAL BUILDING

BERTRAM A. WEESE, ARCHITECT

HIGHLAND PARK wanted a memorial which would actively serve its citizens. The result is this combination Legion Hall and Community Center. The low, streamlined brick structure includes a servicemen's recreation center and headquarters of the local Historical Society

APARTMENT BUILDINGS

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SLUM CLEARANCE paved the way for these low-rental apartment buildings designed for the Chicago Housing Authority. Continuous galleries provide outdoor living, working and play space. All apartments have cross-ventilation

HIGH SCHOOL

PERKINS & WILL, ARCHITECTS

FIRST POSTWAR HIGH SCHOOL in Illinois is at Barrington. Here are shown the first of many units to occupy an 80-acre tract. which affords space for future expansion. Structures were designed to blend with suburban landscape. Central building is library

LIBRARY

HOLABIRD, ROOT & BURGEE, ARCHITECTS

ROUGH FIELDSTONE was chosen for the new Winnetka Library to harmonize with the informal architectural style of residences in the neighborhood. Library was planned for both children and adults, with one central control point for all. It is also a community center

SHOPPING CENTER

MITTELBUSHER & TOURTELOT, ARCHITECTS

TYPICAL OF THE MANY SHOPPING CENTERS in the suburban Chicago area is this one in Hinsdale. It is well located and answers the needs of a small community with stores, a barber shop, and a theater. Many of the shops are small, giving an informal and personal air

CHURCH

BELLI & BELLI, ARCHITECTS

ECCLESIASTICAL ARCHITECTURE has not reflected the contemporary idiom for years. St. Gertrude's in Riverside is an example of a new church design which parishioners find spiritually satisfying

HOSPITAL

BURNHAM & HAMMOND, ARCHITECTS

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THE ARCHITECT CHAMPIONS THE SMALL HOME

Cost is reducing the scale of the average home; good design is increasing its comfort and convenience

Happily for the contemporary small home, perfection need not be relative to size, and good design is slowly altering the architectural aspect of residential communities throughout the country. For every pretentious house there are thousands of small ones representing a new kind of planning, with pretention replaced by comfort and workability. The architect's regard for convenience, easy maintenance, and a sense of space is establishing a successful new pattern of living. In Chicago, as in other cities, there are outstanding examples of the architect's interest in the small, suburban residence. This particular house, the work of Jules Marling, is one of them. A young and successful architect who had worked with much larger houses, he recently turned his attention to the problem of how, for $15,000, to design and build a house that would balance with perfection of detail what it might lack in space. With two other young men he formed a corporation called *Today's Trend for Living*, and the scheme was under way. Their first house was completed in Northfield, Illinois, for $14,900 exclusive of land and landscaping, and is considered by many to be one of the most advanced and well-planned houses in its community. The architect employed the same technique he

NOWELL WARD

PORTICO-LIKE CARPORT and coursed fieldstone wall, each an interesting architectural feature, protect both automobile and main entrance way. Flat roof has overhang on each elevation and entire exterior is finished in redwood siding with white trim and black painted doors. Small windows at rear belong to master bedroom

would have used for a larger house, emphasizing distinction of line, proportion, and detail. The only deviation was to alter the scale. The greater portion of space was allotted to a living-dining-kitchen area which flows around a free-standing fireplace, open on two sides. Kitchen and bath, often inadequate in a small house, were planned as something more than functional units. The kitchen is a completely equipped background for family activity; the bath is also a well-appointed dressing room. Flexibility of plan was made possible with movable, nonbearing interior partitions. A necessary feeling of space was intensified in a variety of ways. Bone white concrete floors, waxed and buffed to a high luster, were laid throughout the house. One exterior wall is completely glass, and to sustain the unbroken vista of the white floor most of the interior walls were painted a pale, putty beige. Against this monochromatic background, wood and color were used for contrast and accent. There is a section of African mahogany paneling in each room, either a complete wall or a small detail of siding. Thus, a small house, by virtue of the thought and skill devoted to its design, not only gives the illusion of a larger one, but affords the same livability. Jules Marling has accomplished his aim.

BUILDING DATA

ARCHITECT: JULES MARLING CONTRACTOR: TODAY'S TREND FOR LIVING, INC.

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Dampproofing	*Sisalkraft* paper under slab	Sisalkraft
Insulation	*Zonolite* at slab perimeter	Zonolite
Interior surfacing	*Sheetrock* *Marlite* (in tub recess)	U.S. Gypsum Marsh Wall Products
Paneling and trim	*Dean Woodwall*	Dean
Wood preservative	*Waterlox*	Empire Varnish
Special treatment	porcelain enameling	Aetna Porcelain Enameling
Doors	flush, solid, & hollow cores	Morgan
Hardware	residential lock sets	Schlage Lock
Glass	plate	Libbey-Owens-Ford
Plumbing equipment	fixtures fittings toilet seat	Crane Speakman C. F. Church
Heating	warm air perimeter, furnace	Mueller Climatrol
Electrical equipment	*Noark* fuse box copper wire wiring devices *Pry-Lites, Blo-Fan*	Federal Electric Products General Cable Arrow-Hart & Hegeman Pryne
Counter tops	exclusive pattern for fabricator	Formica Beautility
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EACH AREA is immediately accessible from the center entrance hall, with the bedrooms carefully segregated from the living-dining-kitchen divisions

REFLECTING THE NEIGHBORING HOUSES, the wall of the living-dining area is almost completely glass, broken only by a door to the garden. Here the overhang is latticed to secure maximum exposure to light and air

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NOWELL WARD

- Furniture ..... MODERNMASTERS
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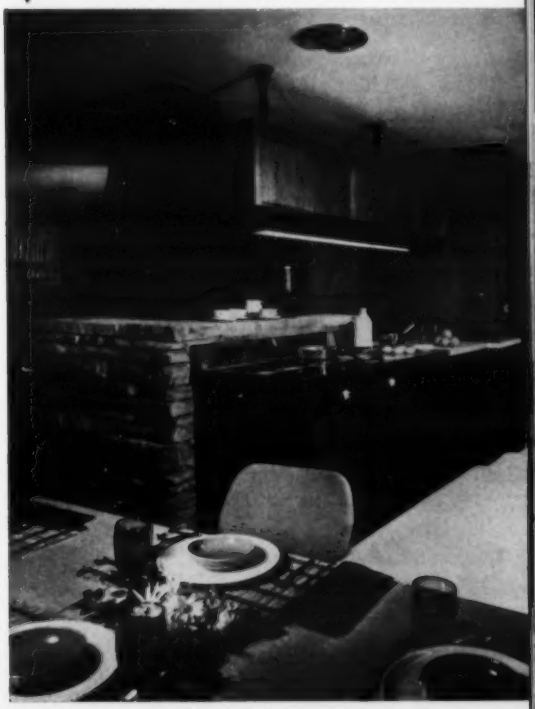
- Rugs ..... ALDON

DECORATED THROUGHOUT BY MANDEL BROS., CHICAGO

UNOBTRUSIVE AND TAILORED, window treatment throughout the house is kept close to walls. Glass wall is completely draped in pale gold casement cloth, a bridge between white ceiling and floor, and curtains of the same color are shirred tightly over small windows

CUSTOM-BUILT CABINETS of African mahogany add a rich gleam to the colorful kitchen with its custom counter tops of pumpkin and black on white and custom-colored yellow appliances. The mantel ledge of the fireplace serves both kitchen and dining area

INTERIOR PLANNING of the well-designed small home evinces the architect's same attention to detail as exterior. In the living area, he uses three different wall treatments. A wall of African mahogany faces the outer glass wall; free-standing fireplace, of fieldstone and with a metal hood, is the focal point of the entire living-cooking space. To underscore the open planning, furniture was chosen for its light scale and utility (lounge bed is a sleeping unit). Wrought iron was used to increase impression of space



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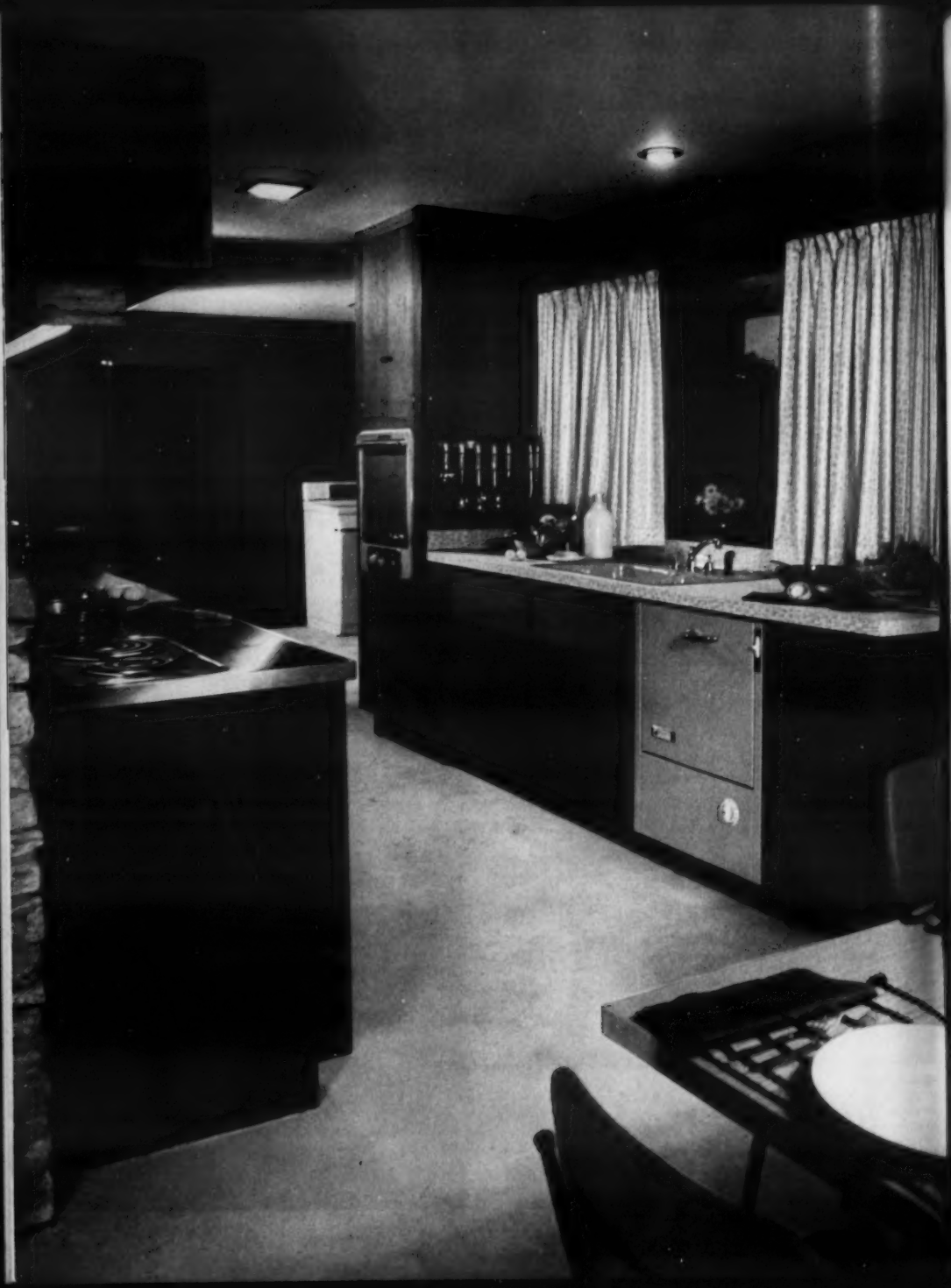

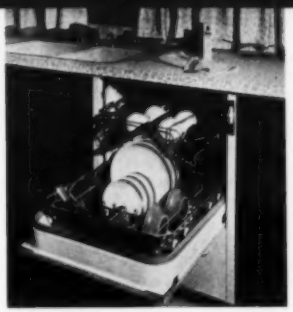

ELECTRIC DISHWASHER is as colorfully treated as other appliances, with enamel facing of pumpkin-yellow, pale blue wash rack

NOWELL WARD

STAINLESS STEEL oven door is framed in yellow porcelainized enamel. Utensils are stainless steel with yellow handles

WOOD CUTTING BOARD, adjacent to cooking unit, is placed over sliding vegetable bins. Counter top repeats pumpkin and black motif

BENEATH ITS VIVID COLORS, the kitchen is a model of well-planned work and storage space with complete freedom of movement possible from dining area through kitchen to laundry. Stainless steel work surface, an integral part of cooking unit, blends with custom-colored appliances. Curtains are plastic, repeating the jaunty pattern of the counter tops. Both were designed by Angelo Testa. A light trough is hung under the suspended cabinets, which are accessible for dinnerware storage

- Kitchenware, tableware and utensils.....EKCO
- Drapery hardware.....KIRSCH

PEACOCK BLUE WALL in dining area is a pleasantly intense contrast to the pale gold of the glass wall drapery and bone white floor. Furniture of black wrought iron has seats and back pads covered in pumpkin color. Linen, glass, and china repeat the house color scheme in variations of blue and yellow

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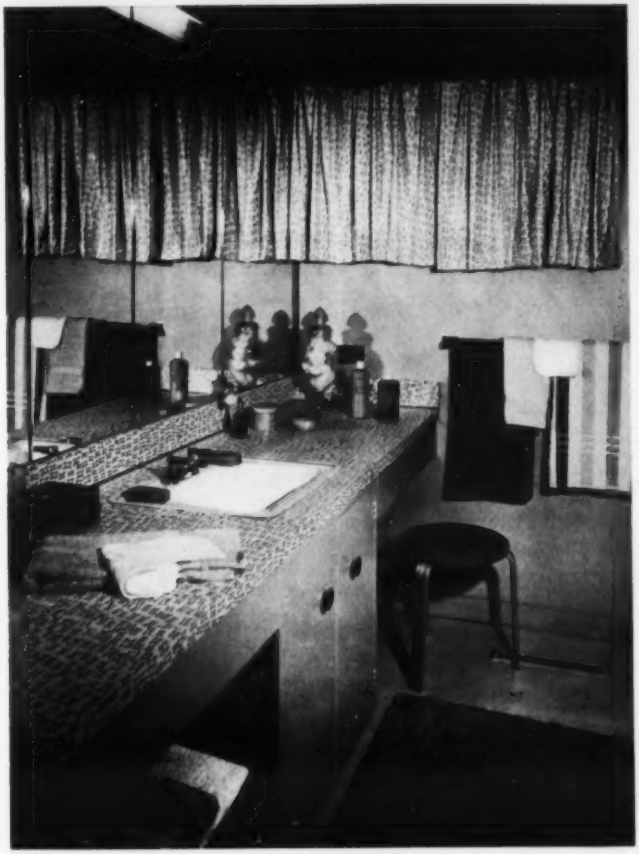
HOWELL WARD

THE ARCHITECT'S ROLE IN HIS COMMUNITY

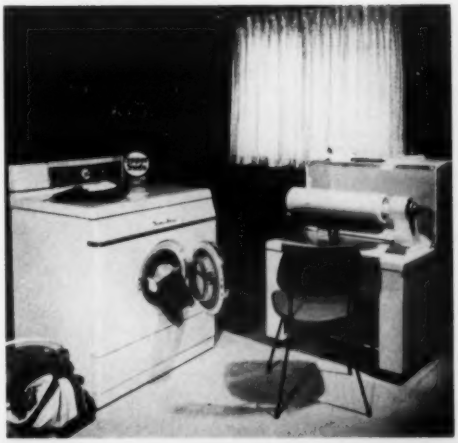
- Television and radio.....ZENITH
- Mattress and box spring.....SEALY
- *Duomatic* washer-dryer and ironer.....BENDIX

WITH ITS LOUNGE BED, this room could serve equally well as study or child's room. Two walls are painted a deep tea-green, two are mahogany paneling. Wrought iron legs of the same design are used for television and sofa, which is upholstered in a yellow and orange tweed. Rug, webbed chairs are soft beige

PLACEMENT OF WINDOWS in master bedroom provides unusual amount of wall space. Curtains of gold and white casement cloth are shirred tightly against putty beige walls. Brown tweed is used for bed coverlet over a white dust ruffle, effective contrast to the gold of the cotton rug. All furniture is honey-colored natural birch, with the peacock blue bench pad a familiar accent



PATTERN OF TURQUOISE and black on white forms the design for the curtains and laminated plastic counter top in the bathroom. Rug is vivid turquoise, walls are pale green-blue. With its mirrored backing, the counter top acts as a double dressing table with storage space below for linens. The valance is African mahogany, the basin is white, and the towels are a medley of yellow, white, and peacock blue



SPACE-SAVING combination washer-dryer and movable ironer are used in the laundry. Room is large enough to serve also as a workshop or hobby room, with ample space for a workbench, garden tools, and storage shelves and cabinets to suit the owner's requirements

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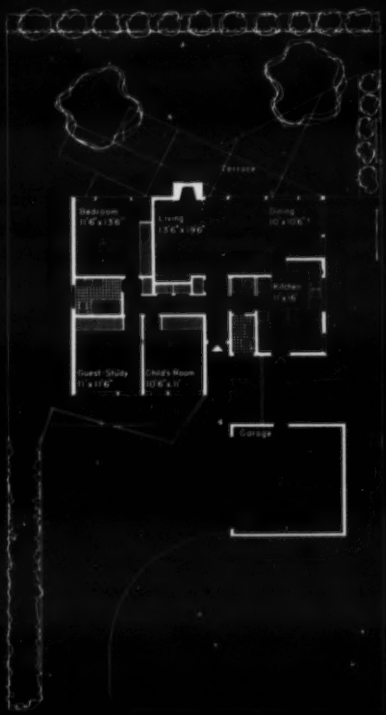
A HOUSE WITH A COLLEGE

Most of the students now studying architecture will one day set up practice all over the country, and we hope more and more of them will be concerned with the homes in which average young families will live. Using the small home as a design exercise, the School of Architecture of the University of Southern California recently devised a project whereby its students would not only design a house that they might live in themselves, but would also help to build it. The result is University House in Monterey Park near Los Angeles, the accomplishment of three hundred architectural students' combined brains and brawn. Eighty plans were submitted by the senior class. The plans were screened until the five best were chosen, and then followed a year of plan revision, during which time forty-eight different new solutions were examined. The best was finally selected, actual construction was begun, and exactly a year later, the last coat of paint was applied. "Learning by doing," the students placed all the foundation forms, did most of the concrete work, installed the roof sheathing, put on the lath, did most of the painting, and all of the landscaping. Trade unions made special concessions to permit students to work alongside journeymen carpenters, painters, and plasterers. Tile setters even worked on their own time, week-ends, so that their craftsmanship could be observed. Working together in small groups, students learned by participation how an architect must take into account in his plans what a workman must do in following them. The result is unique, and likely one of the first times a residence of this caliber has been sponsored by a university and built, step by step, by members of the student body. With so many students on the job, work naturally proceeded at a slower pace than it would have on a purely professional project, but there is no doubt that the house is probably better built than most, simply because of the time and care that went into its construction. It was also a successful experiment in university-industry-trade union co-operation. The Aerojet Corporation, developers, interested in the house as a possible pattern for future building projects, donated the lot, 60 x 112. Construction was financed with a loan by the California Federal Savings and Loan Association, and some of the materials and equipment were supplied either free or at cost by members of the Producers' Council, an organization founded to set and maintain standards of quality in building materials. The end more than justified the means. The house itself has six rooms in the prevalent one-story, contemporary California design, with three bedrooms and a bath and a half. The exterior, where it is not glass, is striated plywood, and translucent fencing has been used at strategic points to insure complete privacy from the street. University House is now on exhibition and will eventually be sold, the profits going to a university fund for experimental work in architecture. Perhaps the greatest profit of all was the knowledge gained by the students of what it means to build a house from the ground up, not only from a blueprint but with their own hands.

EDUCATION

HOUSE AT NIGHT is seen above. This is the living-dining and terrace side, away from the street. At the left, under cover, we approach the front entrance from the garage. Fence of redwood and translucent plastic separates small garden from unseen service yard. The streetside view of the house is seen below, with plastic baffle used to give privacy to two bedrooms. Garage, at right, shows use of striated plywood. Temporary display board is for exhibition and suppliers' credits. Site plan at right shows integration of land-scaping with inside rooms

J. RALP BEALS



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USC STUDENTS make a final check on University House with supervising professor, H. C. Burge

WORKING SIDE BY SIDE with a journeyman carpenter, students help lay roof planks. House has now reached framing stage

STUDENT TWINS, Marilyn and Carolyn McCarron, do yeomen service, hammering as efficiently as their male carpenter colleagues

INDUSTRY CO-OPERATES with education as manufacturer of sliding doors directs their installation

STUDENTS Schroeder and Norcross discover that sheathing must always fit snugly to guarantee a good roof

BUILDING DATA

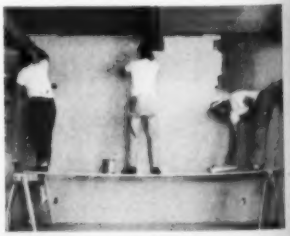
DESIGNED BY THE STUDENTS OF THE SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Foundation & slab	concrete	
Dampproofing	15 pound felt	Flintkote
Wood preservative	*Wolman Salts*	American Lumber & Treating
Floor surfacing	*Tile-Tex*	Flintkote
Exterior surfacing	*Weldtex*	United States Plywood
Interior surfacing	plaster, gypsum lath	Blue Diamond
	Dura-Glaze tile (bath)	Gladding-McBean
Paints & stains	shingle stain (exterior)	Samuel Cabot
	paint and stain (interior)	W. P. Fuller
Roof surfacing	tar and gravel	Flintkote
insulation	*Fiberglas*	Owens-Corning
Windows	casements (operating sash)	Ceco Steel Products
	D.S.A. (glass)	Pittsburgh Plate Glass
Exterior doors	steel-framed sliding glass	Arcadia Metal
Interior doors	flush panel	United States Plywood
hardware	lock sets	Kwikset
Closet doors	*Novoply*	United States Plywood
Garage doors	*Weldtex*	United States Plywood
hardware	overhead	Tavart
Heating	*Janitrol* furnace	Surface Combustion
	metal duct forms	Airfloor Co. of Calif.
	thermostat (controls)	Minneapolis-Honeywell
Plumbing fixtures	tub, lav., sink, W.C.	Universal-Rundle
	bathroom accessories	Hall-Mack
Electrical	panel and circuit breaker	General Electric
	wire, low-voltage switching	
	lighting fixtures	Litecraft
	chimes, fan, *Heat-a-Lite*	Nutone
Kitchen equipment	*Western-Holly* units	Western Stove
	refrigerator	Servel
garbage disposer	*Waste King*	Given Mfg.
counter tops	*Dura-Glaze* tile	Gladding-McBean
Laundry equipment	washer & dryer	Whirlpool

When you buy, build or remodel a house, be sure you know the brands of material used. They are the best protection for your total investment.

PERFORATED GYPSUM LATH was put up throughout the house. This was a completely student-manned job without outside help

PROFESSOR BURGE gives an on-the-spot lecture to two students on the importance of well-mixed paint



EXPERTS IN NO TIME, the tyro painters fell to with zeal and completed their task with the skill of professional workmen

OPEN BEAM CEILING seems to float unsupported above the glass walls of the living-dining area. Sliding doors open onto a terrace, given privacy by a redwood and plastic screen fence. Open divider marks dining and sitting areas without breaking room's sweep

SEATING GROUP AROUND FIREPLACE gives a cozy atmosphere without interfering with the spacious lightness of the room as a whole. Furniture was chosen for simplicity, usefulness, and light scale. The effect is neither monotonous nor overstated

THIS ROOM, furnished to give the appearance of an additional sitting room, is also equipped with a comfortable bed. Complete privacy from the street is insured by the translucent screen fence seen through the window. The furniture is small-scaled and practical. Cost of the room, including accessories and complete decoration, was about $400

U-SHAPED WORK AREA of kitchen has double sink, built-in oven, and surface cooking units. One sink has a waste disposer; the other, a special spray connection for dishwashing. Counter tops and splash panels are ceramic tile. Kitchen-dining space is beyond narrow serving counter, seen at the extreme lower right

J. DALE SEALY

DECORATION THROUGHOUT BY SI SLAVIN, LOS ANGELES

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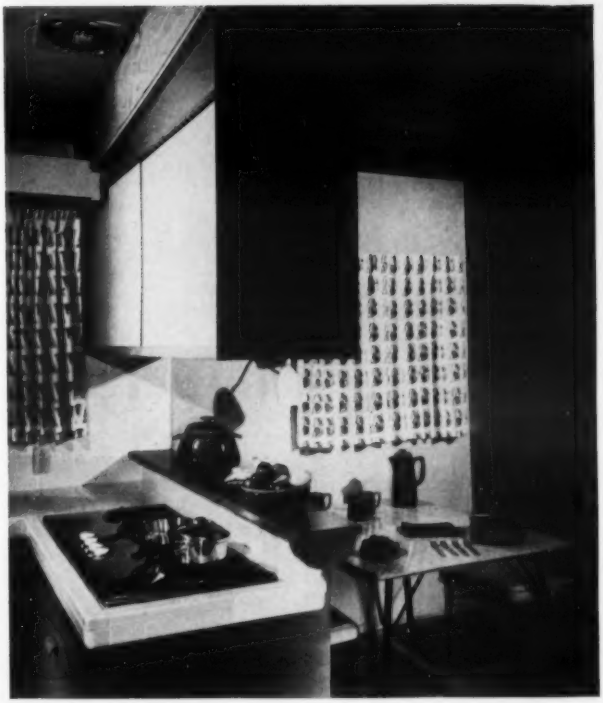
SHIELDING THE ENTRANCE TO THE KITCHEN is a storage wall which not only acts as a divider between the dining area and a small corner study, but is a convenient cupboard for china and table accessories. Flooring throughout the house is of beige asphalt tile. Walls are plaster, painted in soft, neutral shades of gray with occasional accents of intense color. Here, for instance, the wall against which the table is set is deep chocolate brown

LARGE STORAGE WALL separates the sitting area of the living room from the hall leading to bedrooms. On the side toward the sofa, it houses bookshelves and storage cabinets; in its opposite side along the hallway are spacious linen closets and an ample-sized closet for guests has been built into the end of wall facing entry

SLIDING GLASS DOORS open from the master bedroom onto its own section of the paved back terrace. Each bedroom has a large wardrobe closet with sliding doors. Here it has been so placed as to leave a small alcove by the window for casual reading and lounging

COMBINATION HEADBOARD AND DESK makes the fullest possible use of limited space in small (11′ x 11′) bedroom which has been furnished for a young boy. Desk-headboard, fabricated in one piece, is laminated plastic. A companion chest of drawers is plastic, too

J. DALE HEALY



SUSPENDED from the ceiling is a deep cabinet that divides the kitchen work area from the kitchen-dining space. Sliding doors of perforated *Masonite* open on both sides and are painted yellow to blend with tile of the sink. Above, leading to the kitchen, is one of two crisscross hallways which assure a smooth flow of family traffic. The louvered doors at the left conceal furnace and water heater. Below, on the fourth wall of the kitchen, are refrigerator and laundry, complete with washer, dryer, and a laundry tray concealed in a wooden cabinet. Tray has easily removed tile top which also serves as a work surface

HANDSOME COMBINATION of brown and beige tile distinguishes master bath. Sink is set into a cantilevered cabinet, topped with ceramic tile for practical good looks. The room is served by a ceiling fixture providing both heat and light

HOW TWO ARCHITECTS DESIGN FOR GOOD VALUE

They are collaborating with Dallas builders on distinctive project homes

ARCHITECTS ARE NEIGHBORS. C. H. Jordan (standing) and his partner, Tom Dean (seated, facing him), live a few blocks apart in Dallas, spend many an evening on the Dean patio talking shop. Their office is in a small wing off to the left

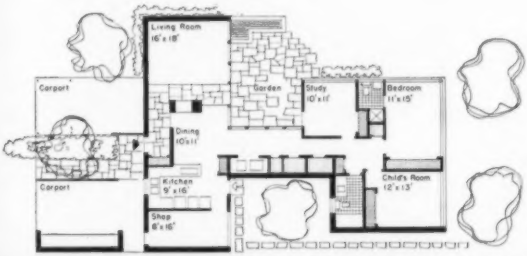
In the furiously growing city of Dallas, Texas, two young architects embarking on a partnership took a detached view of the building picture and noticed the great number of houses going up without benefit of architect. Some of these houses were good, some bad, some indifferent. The firm of Dean and Jordan, besides being interested in bettering the appearance of their city, saw that the field of project building presented a sound business prospect. An opportunity to get their teeth into the multiple-housing picture appeared when John J. Dapolito, owner of Town North Builders, approached them to work on the design of some of his newest homes. Dapolito, a lawyer turned builder, had long since learned that cut-and-dried plans and the monotony of superficially varied exteriors made houses difficult to sell. He had found that a better designed product was a more readily salable one. Dapolito's houses are in the $15,000-$20,000 price range; he finishes about one a week and has never been able to keep a display model, because he always sells it. This success has proved to him that young families are eager to buy well-designed homes. Dean and Jordan, who are both members of the Dallas chapter of the A.I.A., contracted with him to design all his future houses at a flat fee per square foot. They take into account economical methods of mass building to enable them to afford details usually found only in more expensive houses. Dapolito recently extended his contract to include supervision of construction, the architects feeling that they could improve the detailing and finishing, save the builder in actual material cost. Dean and Jordan know, however, that so much money will go so far and no further. As Dean sums it up: "We don't say we're building perfect houses. We're just trying to build better-than-average houses at average cost." An opportunity to carry this philosophy still further knocked on their door recently when they signed a contract with builder Harold Weil, of Dallas, on a development of 167 houses. For the first 25, they will prepare six basic plans, each varied and each adaptable to the individual site. Weil's houses will average between 1,100 and 1,500 square feet, sell from $13,500 to $20,000, lot included. On the next three pages we show details of some of the newest Dapolito houses on Cridelle Road, which Dean and Jordan designed in the last year.

Individuality is created by a wide range of exterior treatment

- Roof lines are slightly pitched or broken
- Clerestories are used imaginatively
- Brick is treated differently, sometimes combined with hemlock siding
- Houses are fenced for privacy

Plans provide for full family living

- Houses have 1,200 to 1,600 square feet of space
- Open planning allows for token barriers between living, dining, and kitchen areas
- Bedrooms are segregated for quiet and privacy
- Houses have separate utility rooms



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Outdoor living spaces are sizable and well located

- Sheltered and open terraces are planned in relation to each other
- Outdoor dining and cooking spaces are defined
- Fences, wood or brick, are designed to ventilate
- Scored concrete floors are colored to homeowner's taste
- Existing trees are taken into account in site planning

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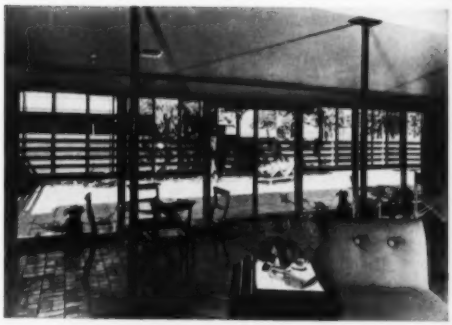
Living-dining areas are planned to appeal to a variety of tastes

- Traditional or contemporary decoration is equally at home
- Brick-floored garden rooms and window walls link indoor and outdoor spaces
- Choice of floor coverings includes carpet, cork tile, wood block, or brick
- Walls are gypsum board, painted or papered, or redwood plywood
- Large, open fireplaces can be enjoyed on both living and dining sides of the room



Houses have at least three, well-sized bedrooms

- Each has a full wall of built-in storage space
- Chest is an integral part of wall storage
- Windows are placed for furniture arrangement
- Smallest bedroom is suitable for use as an extra sitting room or study

HENCE GRIFFITH

Kitchens are completely and efficiently equipped

- Appliances include surface cooking units, wall oven, dishwasher, garbage disposer
- Cabinets and counters are scaled to height of housewife who will use them
- There are pass-throughs to dining space
- Base and wall cabinets are built in a variety of wood finishes according to taste

Halls and passageways are light, airy

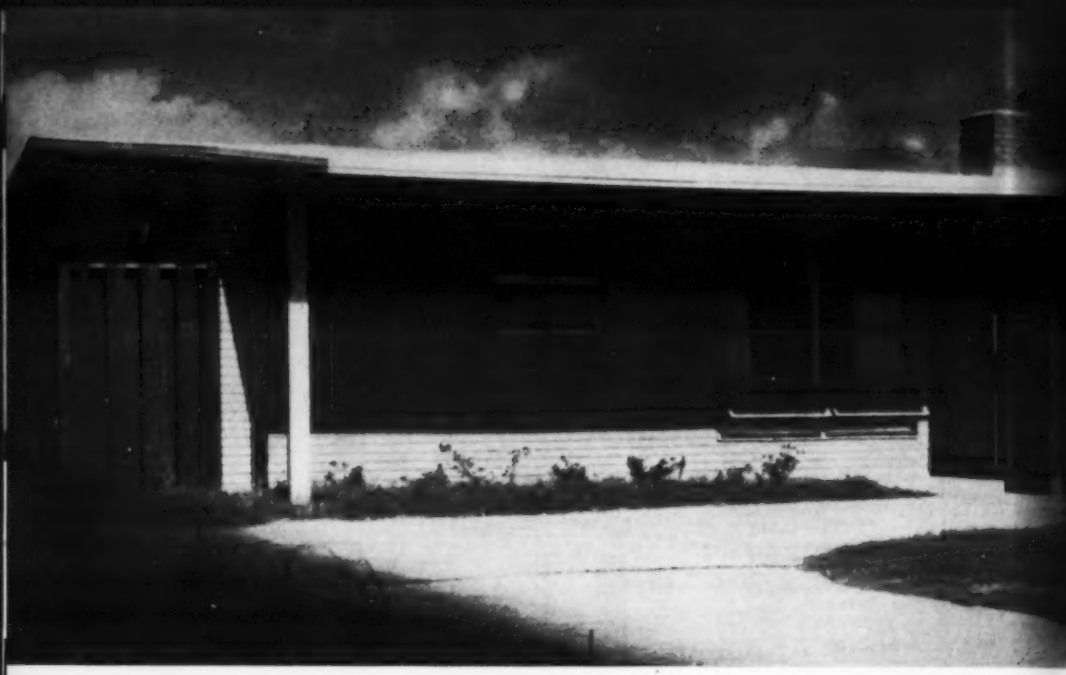
- They have skylights and window walls
- Flush ceiling fixtures provide artificial light
- Halls allow convenient access to heating equipment
- Walls are paneled to blend with other rooms of the house; floors are wood or brick, accordingly

Houses have a minimum of one-and-a-half baths

- Ceramic tile floors and wainscots are neat in appearance, easy-to-clean
- Lavatories are recessed in tile counters
- Large mirrors are side-lighted
- Built-ins provide for linen storage

Houses have other details noteworthy in the small home

- Sliding glass doors in steel tracks
- Steel casement or aluminum windows
- Automatic, thermostat control for forced warm-air heating systems
- Brick planting boxes in floors for an outdoor note to living areas



HOW TWO ARCHITECTS DESIGN
FOR GOOD VALUE *continued*

Architects Dean and Jordan are equally interested in the individually-built small home

EXTENDED OVERHANG provides protection for entrance door, continues in unbroken line to become roof of carport. Roof construction consists of 2 x 6 V-jointed redwood, covered by layer of insulation, and built-up roof surfacing

When Jim and Rudelle Clark decided to invest in a home after four years of apartment living, they remembered the houses of architects Dean and Jordan which they had seen around Dallas. These homes, they recollected, proved that individual family needs can be balanced successfully with a strict budget. A conference with the architects resulted in an immediate friendship; they found that they liked them as well as their houses and a building project was soon under way. Cost was a constant topic on the architect-client agenda: the Clarks had less than $15,000 to spend and for this they wanted a sizable living area, two bedrooms, a well-equipped, up-to-the-minute kitchen, ample closet and built-in storage space, and a carport or garage. How well Dean and Jordan succeeded with their design is evident in the comfortably lived-in look of the Clarks' home, which cost them $13,500.

THE WIDE EXPANSE OF BRICK for exterior walls of the house and the carport, plus the long, low overhang roof, belie the relative smallness of this contemporary home. Landscaping and building of a patio are being undertaken by Jim and Rudelle Clark in spare evenings and week ends. Strategic planning made possible inclusion of 1,100 square feet of living space at a cost of $13,500

HENCE GRIFFITH

WARMTH OF COLOR, textures and lighting marks the Clarks' living room as a perfect background for relaxation. The beamed ceiling, brick chimney and adjacent wall, the redwood built-in bookcase, large armchair with ottoman, cocoa-beige rug and translucent draperies combine to create an atmosphere of comfortable informality. Area of wall unit now occupied by television set will, in time, be converted to audio center with phonograph, radio, and television units built in

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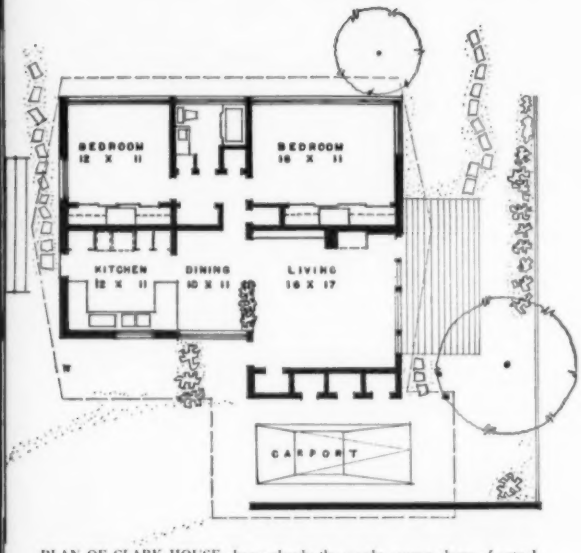

PLAN OF CLARK HOUSE shows clearly the nearly square shape of actual living area, which places all rooms easily accessible to one another with little necessity for space-wasting and expensive hall allowance. Note that principle landscaping is being planned alongside of house where living room will overlook

CLEAN LINEN is stacked on shelves from the hall, removed for use through the door in the bathroom, entered at Rudelle's right

INSIDE HALL is brightened by plastic-domed skylight during day, by wall lamp at night. Door at right gives access to heating equipment

HENCE GRIFFITH

ONE WHOLE WALL of sliding louvered doors provides abundant storage space in a dresser-closet area for both the Clarks. Blue draperies and cotton rug, lemon-colored bedspread and redwood walls afford a calm setting for sleep

OPEN PLANNING increases apparent size of kitchen, dining, and living areas, while each is kept an individual unit by dividers. Wide kitchen counter and suspended cabinets separate kitchen and dining area; planter divides dining and living rooms. Redwood walls and cabinets plus bold painting of panel doors add pattern and bright color to the Clark kitchen. Such conveniences as the large horseshoe-shaped counter and oven set into wall at chest height make kitchen duties more pleasant. Flooring is sheet rubber

MARY AND HALE GREENLEAF
SHENANDOAH, IOWA

CAROL AND CHUCK HEYN
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ADELE AND ART BAUMAN
PROVIDENCE, R. I.

KATHY AND KEN MYERS
VASHON, WASHINGTON

$64 QUESTION: HOW TO SAVE FOR A

PAUL JOHNSON: Here's the problem in a nutshell. We have two children, all our furniture, an almost new car, and no debts. We're providing for the future through several insurance policies, but during the past five years, we've found we are able to live just within our income and not save one red cent. We have no home of our own and no immediate prospects of one. Now, then, where have we gone wrong?

IS IT WORTH THE SACRIFICE?

June Spangler: As nearly as I can see, this whole problem boils down to saving and we all know saving is never pleasant. Yet, it's always possible to cut expenditures when the goal's important enough. I like privacy and open ground with flowers to tend. Gene and I like being part of a community rather than transients. These advantages far outweighed the sacrifices necessary to make our home on Long Island possible.

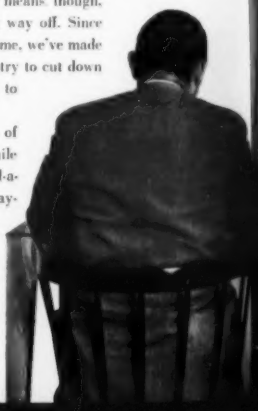
Valerie Ahlgren: Dex and I think we're well qualified to answer the question. For the last year we've been renting and have just made the down payment on a home of our own. The Johnsons have furniture and a nearly new car. We haven't nearly all the furniture we'd like and we're still driving a 1939 car. We feel that the additional home life and the satisfaction of setting up a healthy atmosphere in which to raise our child is well worth the sacrifice we've already made and will be making for a good time to come.

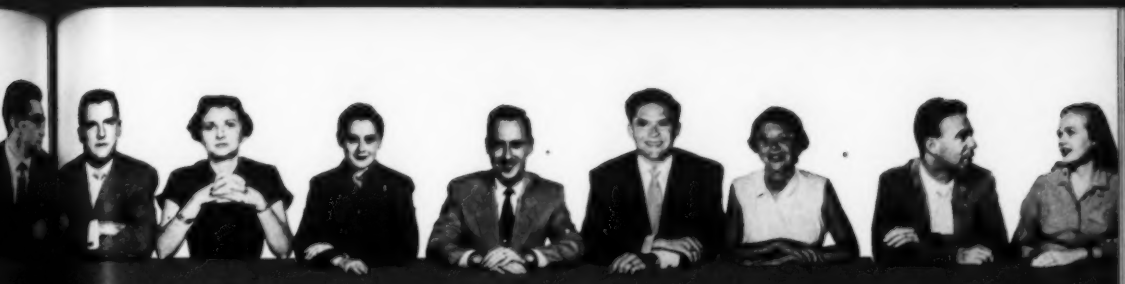
Dexter Ahlgren: Yes, the house has always been the main objective. Furniture and a new car will have to wait until our earnings increase. The baby's crib is our only new investment. The rest of our stuff is being bought a piece at a time.

Adele Bauman: Art and I aren't even completely settled in an apartment yet, but already we have ideas about a house. We can't say what sacrifices we'll be willing to make until we're confronted with the specific choice. We agree, however, that young people should be willing to forego relatively small and temporary luxuries for the larger one of their own home.

Ken Myers: This problem is well-nigh universal among today's young marrieds. No question about it. But it will be solved individually because we all live differently and expect different things from life. Some sacrifices must be made, but what is considered a sacrifice will depend on an individual family's philosophy. My income is about $3,000 a year, not unusually low for a starting position with good prospects. It means, though, that a home of our own is still a long way off. Since the home is so important to Kathy and me, we've made the first step—we've moved to the country to cut down our overhead and we've started at last to solve our savings problem.

John Prentki: On this matter of sacrificing, the curious thing is that while Lucille and I were on our year-and-a-half saving program to get our down payment—and looking back on it, it was pretty rugged—we didn't feel that we *were* sacrificing. We were so busy and so happy looking at houses and making plans that it didn't seem we were doing without anything.





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JUNE AND GENE SPANGLER
SYOSSET, NEW YORK

VALERIE AND DEXTER AHLGREN
BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA

BARBARA AND GLEN CARROLL
TUCSON, ARIZONA

OR A HOME

EDITOR'S NOTE: *Some time ago Mr. and Mrs. Paul A. Johnson, of Smith Center, Kansas, posed one of the most difficult problems facing many young homemakers today. Just how does a family with a modest income put aside enough for the down payment on a home? All too aware that many of our readers are doing it, we called in our Editorial Reader Panel for advice. Some of these couples own their homes; others rent and are saving to buy in the future. Herewith in round-table form are their answers which, we believe, should be helpful to all families caught in this dilemma.*

Mary Greenleaf: That's exactly the way Hale and I see it. We don't even have the house yet—we're renting a five-room bungalow. But we feel that the things we're giving up for it now, we'll have tenfold later on. There's no real sacrifice in our lives, only a postponement.

Hale Greenleaf: The sense of security you get from owning your own home is worth what it takes to achieve it. Even *before* we own one, it's growing on us. We're delighted at the thought of making a rent payment and having something to show for it other than a canceled check.

Carol Heyn: We never realized how much saving was possible until we tried. Why, a year ago, we saved by weekly deductions from Chuck's pay check, almost $1,000 which we applied to the principal of our $8,400 house loan. Don't ask us how we did it, we just made up our minds!

THE MECHANICS OF SAVING

Gene Spangler: Our first consideration on a house was price. The old formula of two to three times annual income seemed like a pretty fair measuring stick; so we arrived at a cost between $10,000 and $15,000.

June Spangler: The next step was to figure the maximum monthly mortgage payments we could make without leaving ourselves too short for current living expenses. Since we were paying $100 for an apartment, we felt we could pay that much toward a new home. In the community we chose, that amount carries a $10,000 mortgage. When we had that figured, we were ready to begin. We had about $3,500, the result of six years' savings and war bonds; we needed about $4,500. In one year's time we made up the $1,000 difference.

Adele Bauman: How did you ever do that?

Gene Spangler: Well, June saved $250 in a year by taking sandwiches to work. I saved $50 by cutting down cigarettes from two packs a day to one. We stopped going to the theater and went less often to the movies—$125 right there; $160 more for the TV we had planned on and didn't buy; $150 for cutting out our restaurant dates; another $65 on liquor. Our normal purchase of a savings bond a month made up the remainder—$225—and it took only a year.

June Spangler: Don't get the idea we were perfect in our savings program. Sometimes we slipped.

Kathy Myers: Our first step in saving was to move to the country—on Vashon Island. Of course, it's a three-hour-a-day commute for Ken to Seattle. But the little cottage is only $35 a month, and it costs Ken only 25c a day to commute.

Ken Myers: I don't mind the commuting and it's wonderful in the country for Noel, our little boy.

John Prentki: Lucille and I bought a house in 1947 and lived in it nearly three years. We found during the first eighteen months that even with a $500 state soldier's bonus we hadn't saved a nickel. We didn't think we'd [Continued on page 105]

An architect makes a practical test of the space problem

One of the architect's biggest problems is to plan for space within a small building budget. Once having determined the living requirements, he must fit them into the space which the budget allows, without sacrificing style or quality. This problem was weighed carefully by architect Donald H. Honn, A.I.A., of Tulsa, Oklahoma, when he came to plan a house for his family—a wife and two small daughters. He decided to sacrifice quantity for quality and with $14,000 as his budget, he designed a small house that made no compromise with building materials or construction methods. The living area was limited to 1,000 square feet; his architectural office (he practices at home) to 200. Keeping the exterior design clean and direct, he was able to incorporate into the interior planning such features as birch plywood paneling, acoustical tile ceiling (an invaluable item in small houses), a glass wall eleven feet high and fifty feet long, the best possible kitchen equipment and hardware. Donald then made the most of his 1,000 feet of living area. Instead of cutting it up into small areas, he designed all interior partitioning as eight-feet-high storage closets on wheels or raised off the floor with rods. As a result, a feeling of space prevails throughout the house. Because of the plan's versatility, there are no cut-and-dried living restrictions. Partitions are moved at will for social activities and changing living requirements. Having made a practical test of the house by living and working in it successfully for three years, Donald Honn has more than proved the soundness and workability of his philosophy.

ROLLING TERRAIN has been intelligently used so that house and land are directly related. The end of the living area block has been cantilevered to project over the entrance to garage in basement, which also houses hot water heater, heavy-duty tank, and a workshop. Butterfly roof is formed by two shed roofs back to back, is drained at its center low point. Drainpipe, passing through interior wall, is less likely to freeze. Floor-to-ceiling windows on north and south walls take advantage of roof's high edges

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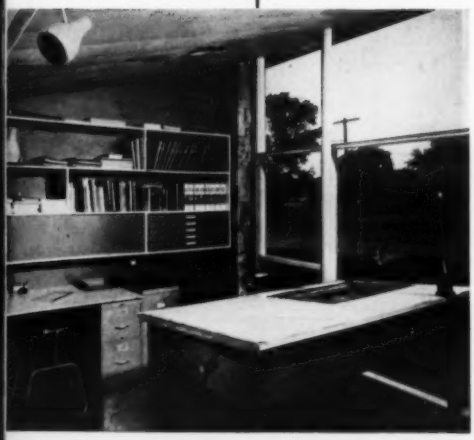
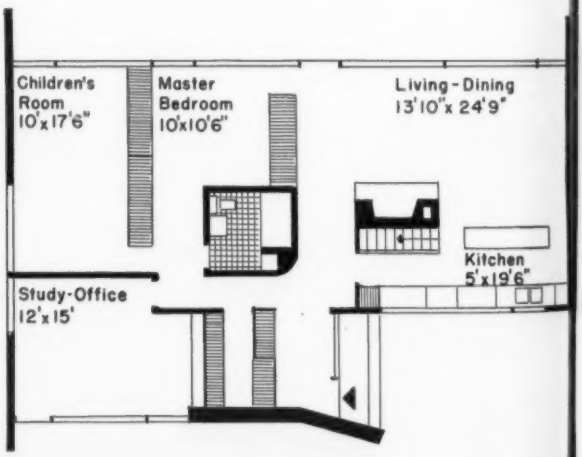
MAIN ENTRANCE TO HOUSE is in office wing, well defined by stone wall and square glass panel, good contrast to house proper's broad expanse of cedar siding. Plan (below) shows division of house into two rectangles, the larger area with its movable storage walls located near two stationary island units: the bath and the chimney block behind which is the staircase to the basement



COMPLETELY SEGREGATED from the living area, and with its own outside entrance, is Donald's office and drafting room. Although accessible from the main entry, it is protected from noise by separating storage closets. Here again, a deeply slanted ceiling allows maximum use of glass in the north wall



INTERESTING COMBINATION of surface textures is used in living area. Laid both horizontally and vertically, painted and natural cedar siding contrasts with pale blocks of acoustical ceiling and dark tiling of floor. At left of fireplace (below) is entrance to basement stair well, and beyond it, the kitchen, separated from the dining area by an off-the-floor closet used on this side for books and china. Entry to the kitchen is possible from either end. Metal columns flanking fireplace are structural pipe supports running through center of house from ceiling to basement

HAWKS-TERRELL

STONE FLAGGING of entry platform is carried into the entrance hall, which uses the inner surface of the exterior stonework as its far wall. A light trough is placed opposite the door over a panel of painted siding. Next to it is a clothes cupboard concealed by draperies of one fabric; the window opposite is hung in another. Again, interest is sustained and a small room made important by the combined use of stone, wood, and contrast in design and texture of drapery materials

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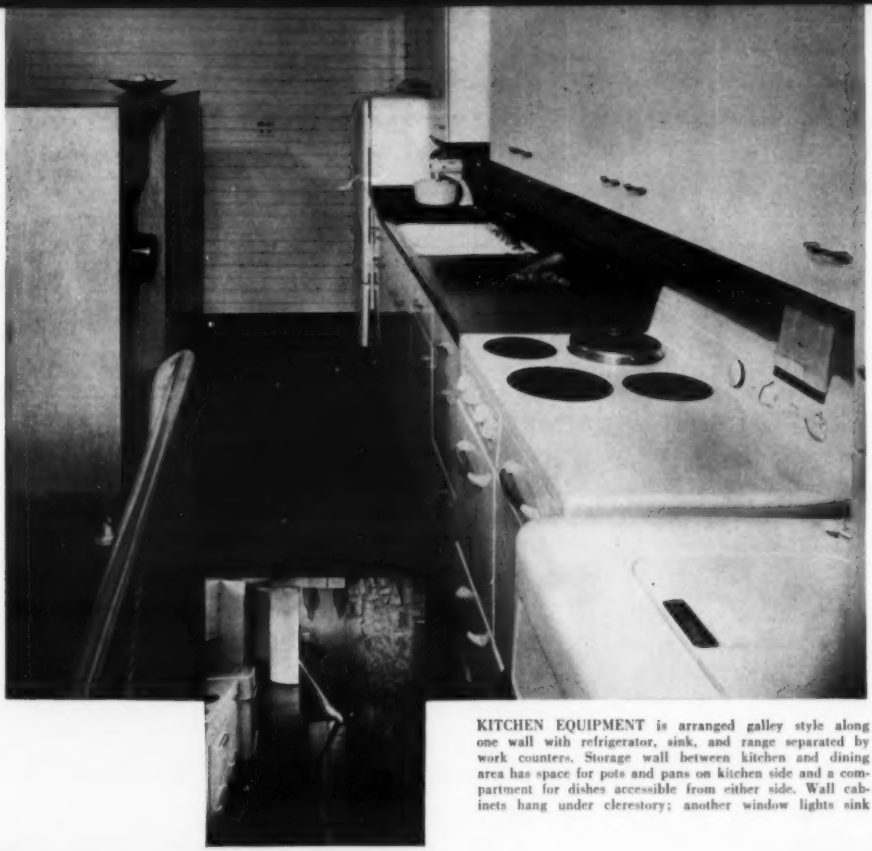


KITCHEN EQUIPMENT is arranged galley style along one wall with refrigerator, sink, and range separated by work counters. Storage wall between kitchen and dining area has space for pots and pans on kitchen side and a compartment for dishes accessible from either side. Wall cabinets hang under clerestory; another window lights sink

AT MEALTIMES, the dining side of the storage wall reverses its sliding doors to conceal its books and reveal its china. Low chest at right not only holds linen but acts as a divider between dining and living areas. Chairs, when not used for dining, can be easily shifted to join the fireplace group

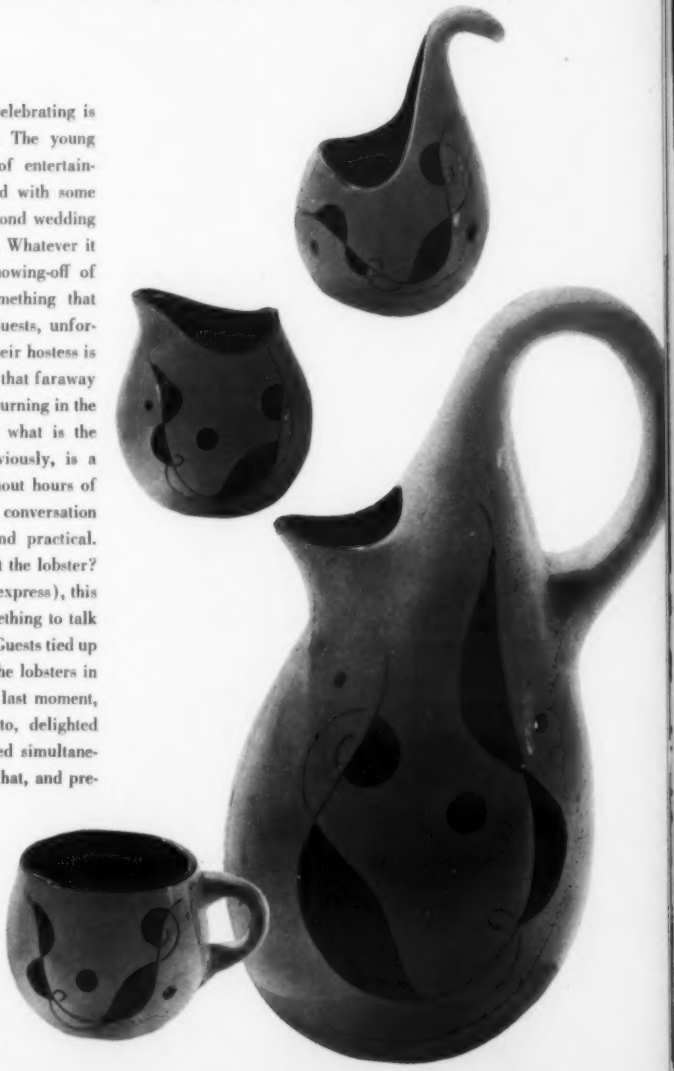
PIANO PRACTICE is wisely relegated to the daughters' room at farthest end of living area. Double clothes cupboards form the storage wall at the right; one for this room and one for its neighbor. These closets, less than ceiling height, are movable. Ventilation is controlled by adjustable windows set in fixed glass

Donald Honn influenced his community with perseverance and a belief in quality

Consistent in his sense of values, Donald Honn plans project homes in strict accordance with the philosophy that determined the design of his own home: the small house, to be worth its salt, must utilize every feature of fine building that its budget will allow. This house (also in Tulsa) began as a pilot plan for building and ended as the motivation and guide for a housing project that will eventually encompass 1,300 houses. Each will be an example of careful utilization of space, selectivity of building materials, and originality of design. The project required and received complete co-operation between architect and builder. At the end of eighteen months of planning they felt they had licked the problem of uniformity in project houses and had perfected, to the best of their ability, a house distinguished by style and individuality.

Lobster—stand-by for festivity

The delight of human nature in celebrating is one of the pleasures of living. The young hostess, weighing the problem of entertaining, is apt to feel that delight tempered with some dismay. It's an occasion. It may be a second wedding anniversary or a father-in-law's birthday. Whatever it is, it demands a bit of a splurge, a showing-off of culinary skill, and that indefinable something that makes a hostess enjoy her own party. Guests, unfortunately, are rarely at their ease unless their hostess is in view: calm, conversational, and free of that faraway look which probably means something is burning in the kitchen. All easy enough to define, but what is the secret of this felicity? The answer, obviously, is a main dish that can stand on its own without hours of elaborate preparation and still remain a conversation piece; a dish, in short, both elegant and practical. So, since we're splurging, may we suggest the lobster? No longer an inland stranger (due to air express), this colorful delicacy is easy to prepare, something to talk about, something to get "dressed up" for. Guests tied up in bibs can't help but be convivial. Pop the lobsters in boiling water or under the broiler at the last moment, and dinner is served. The guests fall to, delighted with a hostess who has somehow managed simultaneously to pass the *canapés*, admire a new hat, and prepare a dinner with style and dispatch.



The uncomplicated drama of your table is as stimulating as the menu is simple: lobster, green salad, French bread, beer, the simplest of desserts, and plenty of coffee. Give the lobsters ample elbowroom. Oversized plates (12" rather than 10") and coffee service are the handsome new *Lyric* design by Stangl. Tumblers are Duncan & Miller's *Laguna* pattern, and Stegor's *Pace* stainless steel flatware does proper justice to the scarlet crustaceans

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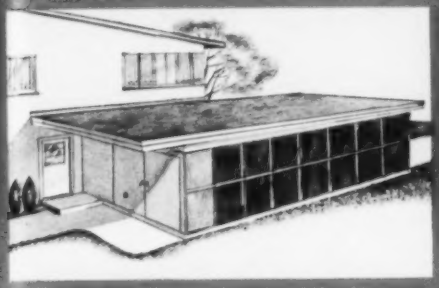
EVIE LEMUS

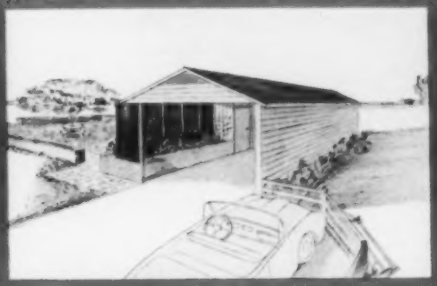
We have long felt that the dual-purpose possibilities of the garage and carport were shamefully overlooked. In the small homeowner's dogged search for more living, utility and storage space, it has seemed a logical and relatively inexpensive area for expansion. On the opposite page are five suggested ways of building car storage which can serve other needs. In one case, the solution is an attached, enclosed structure with a large storage locker in addition to space for one automobile; in another, a separate building houses the family car and also affords a small greenhouse for a gardening enthusiast. A third sketch shows how an existing carport can be enclosed to give a weather-tight garage which can be used as a playroom when the car is out. Another idea is to extend the roof line of an existing carport to provide a large outdoor living room; the fifth suggestion is for an attached carport which serves as a sheltered terrace. In each case, all or part of the remodeling work can be done by the amateur carpenter, depending on his degree of skill. The principal building material is a polyester glass fiber structural panel. These corrugated translucent sheets are easy to saw and nail, light enough for easy handling. For example, a 40" x 12' panel weighs about forty pounds, roughly, a half-pound per square foot; sheets are 1/16" thick, come in a wide range of colors.

DOUBLE LIFE CAR SHELTERS

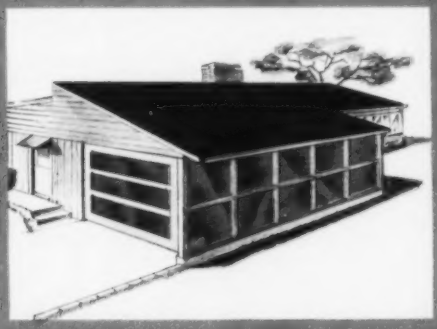
Detailed plans for construction shown on the opposite page can be obtained for 25c. Send coin and name of desired plan to LIVING For Young Homemakers, Dept. 1S, 575 Madison Avenue, New York 22, New York.



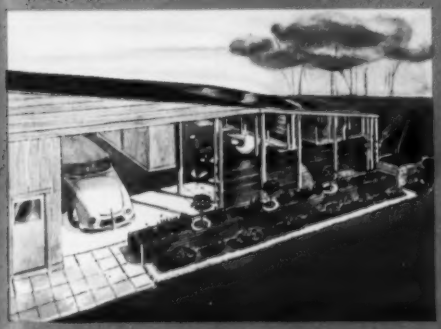
ANNEX: For the homeowner who wants both carport and extra storage space, here's a dual-purpose structure. Exit doors at one end slide open for access to house; other end is open for car. Large storage locker extends back to first translucent panel on side wall. Inside doors provide passage to house through shelf-lined storage



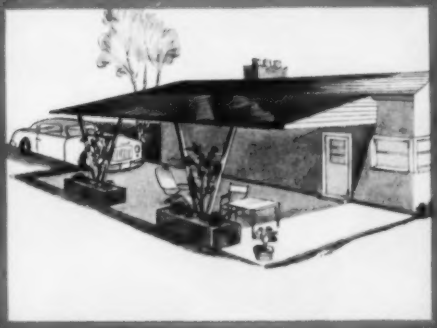
CITY GARDENER: The car owner with gardening on his mind can have a combination greenhouse-garage, with a double planting box —inside for greenhouse, outside for transplants. Build with planter on the sun side. Translucent panels for roof and wall surrounding the planter brighten garage, add diffused light for starting plants



WINTER SET: Weather-tight conversion can turn a carport into a colorful attached garage. The reinforced plastic panels provide an interesting side wall design, and make it easy to enclose the existing carport. Once in, the panels need no preservative care. The choice of panel colors may be selected to complement the color of the house



SUN TERRACE: Add to existing carport, for a sheltered open-air extra room. Translucent roof panels make bright, shadowless reading area, louvered side walls permit ventilation and shield terrace from street. Just inside, a double locker with sliding doors provides handy storage area for carport on one side, terrace on the other



BREEZEWAY: Carport and patio combination provides convenient shelter for the car and added space for outdoor family life. When the car is out of the way, the breezeway can be brought into use for entertaining large groups. Decorative and simple to construct, the panel roof screens out direct sunlight, adds color to the house

PLANS DEVELOPED BY MONSANTO CHEMICAL

SUNSET SETTA

How to waken a dormant entrance hall

Ugly newel and banisters were painted a soft shade of green which blends with a green of the same intensity used for wallpaper and the tweedy green cotton stair carpeting. Poorly finished floors were resurfaced in vinyl tile, a black and white pattern. Paint throughout by Martin-Senour; B. F. Goodrich's *Koroseal* flooring; wallpaper by Thomas Strahan

AN OLD HOUSE IN NEW DRESS

Dark dining room gets light treatment

Light paint for the old stained paneling gives new space to the room. Table was retained; new chairs covered in bright-hued sailcloth complete the room's appearance. Double shuttered doors in hall (replacing old French doors) make an entrance worthy of the two "new" rooms on either side. The doors by Heinley; dining room chairs by Cal-Mode

COSTLY STRUCTURAL CHANGES AREN'T NECESSARY FOR A FRESH APPEARANCE

The roaring 20's left behind some remarkable examples of disorganized architecture. Horrified by bad hardware, heavily "antiqued" walls, and misshapen mantels, many house hunters pass them by—ignoring sound construction and pleasant proportions—to settle instead for a place that's often distinguished by little more than its similarity to others on the street. The family whose home we show here looked past the dark-stained woodwork and clutter of haphazardly placed radiators, and considered the positive side. They chose for more space (they have four children), location, a big yard, and good-sized, well-lighted rooms. Relying on camouflage tactics rather than structural change, they have brought such purposeful continuity and bright color to the rooms that they seem distinctly contemporary. Dressing up an older house is worth-while: take time to peer past obvious faults, and rely on paint, paper, fabrics to produce more comfort for less money than you'd have thought possible.

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Color and pattern revitalize old living room

Noteworthy planning shows in the use of color to link all the rooms on the first floor. Wall and rug colors are reversed in living and dining rooms, and the porch continues with the green used in both. Instead of concentrating on new furniture for the living room, the old was recovered and all possibilities of the room's use explored. New seating arrangement appears at far window. Implemented by window seat connecting two new cabinets (which house ugly radiators) and handsome draperies to serve as background, it emphasizes that end of room for the first time. The trick used in the hall is employed here, by painting mantel same color as walls. Rugs throughout by Barwick; chair and ottoman by Erwin-Lambeth; *Lattishades* by Columbia Mills; square marble-topped table is by Art Furniture

ERNEST SILVA

Unused porch takes on attractiveness and purpose

The old sun porch (off the dining room), sizable and flooded with light, provided the family room that is so necessary with four children. Gray, green, and yellow plastic flooring and red and green sailcloth upholstery promise easy maintenance in spite of heavy traffic. Connecting window from the kitchen has been framed by useful new storage cabinets and a pass-through with shelves for efficient service to the dining table. White walls and draw curtains make the room seem even more spacious than it is. Fabrics throughout by Everfast; iron furniture by Gallo

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CHRISTMAS TREE HUNT

In this modern age of functionalism and high speed, the Christmas season, like many a happy tradition, finds itself fighting a stout battle to preserve its customs. Bringing in the Christmas tree is among those joyful practices fading into the past. Recalling their own childhood, one couple decided to share their legacy of memories with their children by staging the hunt shown here. A short search located a farmer with a pair of horses: a sleigh, adorned with bells, was found in a barn. The success of the expedition was complete. Not only did the children bring back a tree in triumph, but more importantly, they brought back a warmer understanding of the true spirit of Christmas.

THE HUNT IS ON! The tinkle of sleigh bells, crisp, cold air, the big farm horses, and the thrill of the chase combine to fire the blood of children as they set off in search of a Christmas tree to bring home

THE HALT FOR LUNCH comes early as hungry appetites are kindled by the bracing winter air. Sandwiches, hard-boiled eggs, dozens of homemade cookies, and a gallon of hot cocoa disappear in a hurry

ACROSS A WONDERLAND of snow and ice the sleigh follows the winding forest trail. Deer tracks and wild rabbits heighten excitement

A HIGH SPOT of trip comes when each of the children gets a chance to climb up onto sturdy backs of patient horses, Fred and Ned

ARRIVING in likely country, the party dismounts and sets off on foot to the site of a particularly good group of Christmas trees

JOERN GERDTS

AFTER CAREFUL SELECTION and debate, Mother cuts down the chosen tree. Children agreed this one was "just right for our house"

DOWN THE SLOPE comes the trophy. Boy tries manfully to keep up in deep snow, ends by hitchhiking ride—by hanging onto tree

CHRISTMAS TREE in tow, the successful expedition heads homeward. Snug under warm blankets, the children are bright-eyed and happy, full of warm memories, and vastly enriched by their participation in an age-old, happy tradition

They work where they live

One of the main qualifications for a young couple in search of a home to remodel is perception enough to plan past the first impression of dilapidation. When Roy and Terry Davis came across the rambling, down-at-the-heels brownstone front house they now live in, they ticked off their needs, saw that it could meet them, and then settled down for the long session of back-breaking but rewarding work it entailed. As a ceramist, Terry needed space for her products; Roy was determined to have a gallery which might serve unrecognized young artists. They had long planned to open a small shop where they could sell antique accessories. Above all, they wanted to work where they lived. The big, five-story house has proved versatile enough to fill all these particulars, and more. In addition to their own two floors, there are three upper floors made into apartments which bring in a steady income. Concentrating on the inside, Roy and Terry have, with new arrangement and decoration, created a sensitive relationship between home, gallery, and shop which the unchanged and rather austere exterior would never suggest possible. Part of their apartment's attraction depends on the fact that it is a showcase for some of their stock in trade. The gallery, connected to their living room by a spiral staircase, seems like a reception hall for the apartment. In fact, they often use it for entertaining, since it is so spacious. The shop itself, charmingly cluttered with fascinating antique objects from all over the world, proclaims the determination of this couple to live creatively and make it pay.

OUTSIDE is just as it was, except for fresh paint, trim planting boxes, and neat awning to announce the gallery. Inside (opposite) shows no trace of the old, gloomy kitchen it once housed. Walls are white; black and white tile flooring continues the strict simplicity which Roy and Terry chose as most suitable background for such a varied and colorful collection of objects as the room holds. Just behind the screen is Terry's reception office. Past that, one glimpses the sunny gallery

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LIVING ROOM is at the rear of the house, located directly over gallery (below). Roy and Terry emphasized the simple moldings by painting them white for sharp contrast against dark forest-green walls. Sheer white glass curtains let in maximum light

SCOTT HYDE

GALLERY IS DOMINATED by a graceful spiral staircase of the regular sectional type used for commercial installations. Brass screws make a bright design along the black iron rails. One wall, stripped of its plaster, reveals brick. Old fireplace with shelves and hidden lights make additional display areas. Inside shutters, taken from the upstairs windows, lend pattern and combine decoratively with café curtains. The gallery opens onto a sunny yard which Roy plans to use eventually for sculpture display

OLD ARCHED ENTRANCE DOOR was restyled to form an open serving bar from kitchen to dining corner. Space below counter was surfaced with delft tiles; movable shutters give privacy, yet allow air for kitchen activities (door to kitchen is off hall, right). Painted French blue, this utilitarian feature is well-disguised

YOUNG TONY, age 6, lives with miniature Victorian furniture and bright colors. The desk and old-fashioned swivel chair would delight any small boy. Brass-tipped coat tree, scaled to his size, is, unexpectedly, a repository for cowboy attire. Red and green provincial print used for bedcover and curtains is cheerful, durable, easy to keep clean

MAKING THE MOST of a narrow room, Roy and Terry have utilized space fully by using a single bed that extends to double size. Concentration on richly colored fabrics (dull avocado satin for bedcover and curtains, gold bolsters) makes one think first of luxuriousness instead of the room's rather small proportions

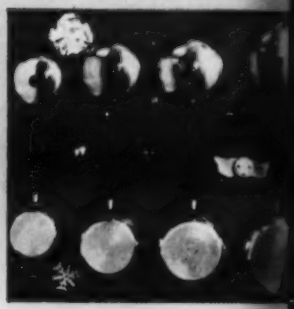
UNEXPECTED ACCESSORIES give the bedroom great flavor—the antique, gilded cupid hung high above an old, painted French washstand, the oil lamps. The early American Windsor-type chair, a Hepplewhite chest, the faded Chinese rug, and familiar soda fountain chairs painted white, all blend harmoniously by the very casualness with which they are used together

TAKE YOUR GIFT LIST TO THE KITCHEN

FOR THE MEAT FANCIER in your life—steak knives of surgical steel with *Lustrex* handles. Give one at Christmas, follow with others for other "occasions." $3.25 each, $19.50 for set of six. *Carvel Hall* by Briddell

FESTIVE WINE, gift packaged for the holidays, is an easy to choose stand-by. Cream sherry or tawny port are just two of the many varieties which make welcome Christmas gifts

Last-minute shoppers, here's food for thought! If you have the smallest trace of gourmet blood in your veins, or know someone who does, fix a beady eye on housewares and food specialty counters for some of the luckiest choices of your Christmas shopping life. You'll be amazed at the stir of appreciation that can be created by merely taking the time to select with a particular person in mind. Find an oversize bowl for the salad fiend, dig up a good mortar and pestle for the person with an Americana complex, or just remember a small crock of homemade *beurre aux fines herbes* for a steak enthusiast, and your stock is established. Even for the ones who claim to have no "kitchen side," a piquant, little-known sauce or an exotic cookbook is apt to beguile. Eating is here to stay, and the food gadget or clever innovation you choose is very likely the gift which stands out most emphatically, by giving pleasure throughout the year. A personalized garbage pail isn't as funny as it sounds—if it works well and adds a decorative touch to a kitchen—and incidentally, any container becomes doubly holiday when filled with fruit, a cake, or a jar of spice. Wrappings can say something special, too. Add a touch of whimsey to a practical gift: tie a couple of wooden spoons, a bunch of swizzle sticks, or a hank of beautiful yarn on the outside, and the box is no longer everyday. Give a second thought to the old saying, "the way to a man's heart," and look around for useful kitchen suggestions like these. They're right in line with old-fashioned honest spontaneity of giving for the love of it—a Christmas quality that's in danger of dying out.



A NEW ALLOY comes along that's a cinch to keep bright. These aluminum cooking utensils have transparent "leaf hangers" for arranging on wall. Buy one, or the whole set. Prices range from $5.25 to $8.25. *Hallite* by Wear-Ever

AN OLD-TIME FAVORITE, the cruet set shows up in a merry-go-round mood for serving oil and vinegar, salt and pepper or mustard. With wood base and blown glass containers, $9.00, by Inland Glass Works

NEW WRINKLE for ring mold. It resembles copper, looks like copper, but costs much less. Anodized mold, 1½-quart capacity, looks even more appetizing filled with Viennese *kugelhupf* (recipe on this page). Mold is about $1.95, by Wear-Ever

FOR CLEANING, post-Christmas variety, a cellulose sponge-yarn mitt mop, $1.39, and washcloth, 49c, Kressinger. Like chamois, they leave lintless surfaces. *Playtex Glovelies,* $1.39, are lined to prevent clammy perspiration

EXPERIENCED COOKS will see the merit of tools like this. Sharp graters fit securely over baking pan to catch every particle: $2.75, *Eezy Doozy,* by Wear-Ever. Fill with Brazil cake (recipe on this page) for holiday touch

MIDGET BROILER (eleven inches long), for a family of two, at $1.75 (West Bend Aluminum), has many uses. Can be used for broiling meats, sandwiches as well as baking, roasting or candy making

GIFTS YOU CAN MAKE EXPRESS THE GOOD TASTE OF A YULE HOLIDAY MOOD

VIENNESE KUGELHUPF

A rich coffee bread, which we like served as dessert, is usually baked in a tubular pan with fluted sides and bottom. It will fit in a 1½-quart ring mold, or a 9-inch spring-form pan.

½ cup milk
½ cup sugar
½ teaspoon salt
¼ cup butter or margarine
¼ cup lukewarm water
1 package of cake yeast, active, dry, or compressed
2 eggs, beaten
2½ cups sifted flour
½ cup fine bread crumbs
12-14 whole blanched almonds
½ cup seedless raisins
½ teaspoon grated lemon peel

- Scald milk; stir in sugar, salt, and butter.
- Cool to lukewarm.
- Measure lukewarm water into a bowl.
- Sprinkle or crumble in yeast, stir until dissolved.
- Add lukewarm milk mixture, eggs, and flour.
- Beat vigorously about 5 minutes.
- Cover dough and let rise in warm place, free from draft, until doubled in bulk (about 1½ hours).
- Grease generously 1½-quart mold or tube pan; coat with fine bread crumbs.
- Arrange almonds on bottom.
- After batter has doubled in bulk, beat thoroughly.
- Stir in raisins and grated lemon peel.
- Turn batter into prepared mold.
- Let rise in warm place, free from draft, until doubled in bulk (about 1 hour).
- Bake in moderate oven (350°F.) about 35 minutes, or until it is a rich brown.
- Cool slightly, then invert pan so almonds and crumbs will stick to bread.

BRAZIL NUT FRUITCAKE

This cake skips the long baking time which most fruitcakes require. It is a refrigerator cake, beautiful to look at, rich-tasting, and stores well. After several hours of chilling, it slices very easily into nice thin slices. Compared to many fruitcake recipes, this one is quite inexpensive.

3 cups Brazil nuts (2 pounds unshelled or 1 pound shelled)
1 pound graham crackers
1 pound seedless raisins
1 cup (8 ounces) diced, mixed glazed fruit
1 8-ounce jar maraschino cherries, drained
1 pound marshmallows
¾ cup orange juice
1 tablespoon grated orange rind
¼ teaspoon each nutmeg and cloves
⅛ teaspoon each allspice and ginger

- Crush graham crackers finely and place in mixing bowl.
- Add whole Brazil nuts, raisins, glazed fruits, and maraschino cherries.
- Cut marshmallows in half and place in top of double boiler.
- Add orange juice, spices and orange rind. Stir until marshmallows are melted. [Continued on page 103]

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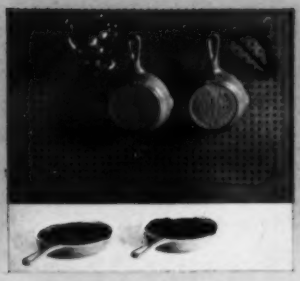
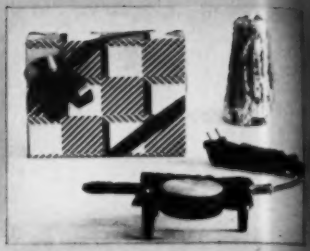


UNDERSIZED SKILLETS, red, lined with ivory, to be used as ramekins, will add dots of bright color to the drabbest kitchen. Griswold Contemporary American Ware, $1.39 each. Iron rack by Ekco, $2.95, brings a popular metal to the kitchen

MINIATURE BOTTLES for a miniature tree. Make the tree yourself from pine boughs and wire coat hangers, or cut the top from a larger one. Brandy and little liqueurs by Hennessy, Christian Brothers, and Masson

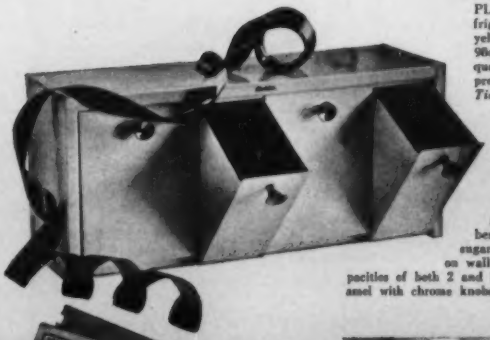


A TRIVET, just like the old ones, but with electrical brass heating unit built in. Keeps foods hot, beverages, too, but handle remains cool. *Elec-Trivet*, Paragon Electric, $4.95 with cord, $3.95 without

A FAVORITE of test kitchens is this roasting pan (about $6.50 by Wagner) of stainless *Magnalite*, a heat-retaining alloy. Fill with candy cake (from our recipe) and serve as a special gift

PLASTIC BOTTLE for refrigerator, in white, red or yellow *Styron (Bolta-Ware*, 98c), holds two liquids—a quart on each side. Grooves prevent slipping when wet. *Tie-Tie* wrappings throughout

SIX MUGS, for hot or cold drinks, will add versatility to beverage service. Made of sturdy styrene, a plastic, by Federal Tool, they're 39c each. Stick cinnamon and peppermint candy suggest mulled cider for a frosty Christmas Eve



BINISTER is its name, and it's right for any number of storage uses—nuts, sugar, flour, and the like. Hangs on wall; bins tilt open, with capacities of both 2 and 5 pounds. It is white enamel with chrome knobs; $9.95, Lewis & Conger

FROM SCOTLAND to Italy is far, but distance doesn't worry the true gourmet. Delicate shortbread in a *pizza* pan (first time they have been available throughout America) makes holiday sense. Pan is about $1.50, by Wear-Ever

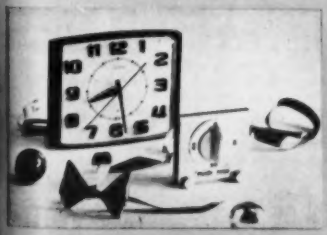
DRAMATIC BAKING DISH to come to the table in its wrought iron serving frame. *Silhouette in Glass-bake* is the name, and it's milk-white, resistant to oven heat. Fill with your own marzipan and almond cookies for an instant success. $2.89, Thatcher Glass

FRIVOLITY in the middle of a useful gift. White or colored, the lifetime wastepaper basket is unbreakable, can be used anywhere. Champagne adds the touch of festivity. Basket is $2, from Plas-Tex Corporation

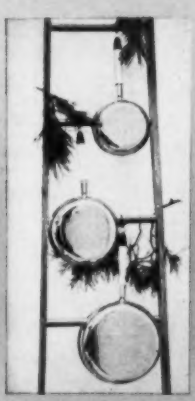
LUXURY CAKE at far less than luxury price. All the familiar, wonderful flavor one expects from fruitcake (*Tip-Top*), in 2½-pound size for $4.00, 5-pound size at $7.50. Comes packed in airtight box

STIMULATE EXPERIMENTATION with soups, stews, by using charming casseroles of porcelain enamel fired on cast iron. Washes like china, will not crack or chip even with sudden temperature changes, colors don't fade. Griswold Contemporary American Ware, $2.20 each

GLAMOUR FOR GARBAGE has been a long time coming, but a *ensemble*, easy-to-clean can, in pastels, is worth waiting for. P.S. You add the monogram and the edibles. $5.25, by Link Savory



EITHER OF THESE, electric clock or timer, will please a time-conscious homemaker. Three-dimensional numerals and wide-angle crystal for the clock, at $7.95—Telechron. White plastic and aluminum case for timer, at $3.96—National Presto Industries



LONG HANDLES, yellow and black, add nice decorative touch for these French-looking, curved-bottom frying pans. Set has 3 sizes, packaged with chrome on steel "shelf" hanging rack. Around $7.85 for set, by Everedy

- Remove marshmallow mixture from heat and beat with highest speed of electric mixer for 15 minutes.
- Add to graham cracker, fruit and nut mixture and blend thoroughly.
- Line a bread-loaf pan (9 x 5 x 2) with two strips of wax paper, extending paper three inches above rim.
- Turn fruitcake into pan, pressing with spoon.
- Fold wax paper over cake, press down with hands.
- Garnish with additional cherries and sliced nuts.
- Chill in refrigerator several hours before slicing.
- Yield: about 4½ pounds of fruitcake.

NUT CRUNCH

(filberts, Brazil nuts or pecans may be used)

2 cups sugar
4 tablespoons butter
¼ teaspoon baking soda
1⅔ cups chopped nuts
1 package semisweet chocolate morsels
1 tablespoon shortening

- Put sugar and butter in heavy skillet.
- Place over low heat and stir constantly to keep mixture from burning.
- When sugar is melted and light brown in color, stir in soda and 1 cup of chopped nuts.
- Pour onto a greased baking sheet and spread until about ¼ inch thick.
- With buttered fingers, pull corners to make a square.
- While candy is hot, mark quickly into squares or oblongs with a sharp knife. (If candy hardens too quickly, place baking sheet in a 350°F. oven for a minute or two, until candy softens.)
- Melt semisweet chocolate and shortening over hot, NOT BOILING, water.
- Dip each square into melted chocolate, shake gently over pan, coat with remaining nuts.
- Yield: about 2 pounds.

JULE KAGE

This is a Norwegian Christmas bread, flavored with cardamom. It is an exceptionally good keeper and is delicious when toasted.

¾ cup lukewarm milk
½ cup sugar
½ teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon powdered cardamom
1 package of cake yeast, active, dry, or compressed
¼ cup lukewarm water
1 egg, unbeaten
2 tablespoons shortening
3½ cups sifted flour
¼ cup chopped citron
½ cup white raisins
¼ cup candied cherries

- Mix milk, sugar, salt and cardamom together.
- Measure lukewarm water into a bowl.
- Crumble yeast into water. Stir until dissolved.
- Add milk mixture, egg, shortening and about ½ of the flour.
- Beat vigorously until well mixed.
- Add fruit and remaining flour, mixing by hand.
- When dough leaves the sides of the bowl, turn it out on a lightly floured board and knead until it is smooth, elastic, and doesn't stick to board.
- Place in a greased bowl, turn to coat all sides with grease to prevent crust from forming.
- Cover with damp cloth and let rise in warm, draft-free place until double in bulk (1½ to 2 hours).
- Punch down; let rise again until almost double in bulk (about 30 to 40 minutes).
- Shape into a round loaf and place in a greased 9-inch round pan.
- Cover and let rise until doubled in bulk (45 to 60 minutes).
- Bake in a moderate oven (350°F.) 40 to 50 minutes. If a golden glaze is desired, remove *Jule Kage* from oven 15 minutes before it is done, and brush with slightly beaten egg. Return to oven and bake 15 minutes longer. [Continued on page 104]

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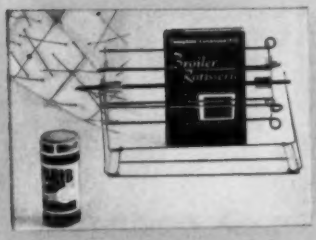
FOR THE COOK who aspires to fancy *tortes*, cheesecakes (or *Jule Kage*, shown from recipe on preceding page), a new 9-inch round spring-form pan, Wear-Ever, about $2.95, will bring thanks

AIR-LINED BOWL (by Federal Tool), to keep foods properly chilled *or* warm for serving, made of plastic, with black matte bottom, red top, comes in two sizes, large ($2.50) for salads, smaller ones (75c each) just right for individual cocktails, soups

FILL THESE handy pans with your best dunking sauce or cheese spread and send on. Stainless steel, they have tight covers to keep the odors inside. $3.75 for set of 2, by Revere



FOR ROTISSERIE OWNERS, a revolving barbecue unit, with 6 separate spits for cooking quantities of kabobs. Each skewer is a foot long, has pointed ends. $5.95 a set, by Rival

PACK A SNACK for holiday callers. Cakes, sandwiches, meat, baked foods, or stuffed Edam cheese (shown here, from recipe) will keep freshly appetizing because of porous stone in top of cover which absorbs and holds moisture for about 24 hours. $2.95, West Bend Aluminum

STUFFED EDAM CHEESE

1 Edam cheese, large
¼ cup sherry wine
½ teaspoon prepared mustard
½ teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
½ teaspoon Ac'cent
½ teaspoon onion salt
cayenne pepper to taste

- Have Edam cheese at room temperature.
- Cut and remove 3-inch circle from the top.
- Scoop out inside, and crumble or shred the cheese.
- Add wine and seasonings to cheese and blend well.
- Pack mixture into cheese shell; replace top.
- Wrap in cellophane or wax paper; chill several hours.
- Bring to room temperature before serving.

CHEESE POTPOURRI

¼ cup beer
1½ pounds grated Cheddar cheese
¼ pound bleu cheese
½ teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon dry mustard
2 tablespoons soft butter
1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
¼ teaspoon Tabasco sauce
2 teaspoons grated onion (if desired)

- Open beer and let stand while preparing other ingredients.
- Mix other ingredients together thoroughly.
- Add beer, a little at a time, mixing until smooth and creamy.
- Store in covered container in refrigerator. (This spread may also be frozen.)
- For a gift, pack in distinctive beer mug or attractive refrigerator dishes, and wrap prettily.

BUERRE AUX FINES HERBES

To be used on broiled steaks, lamb chops, grilled hamburgers, breakfast eggs, or cocktail crackers. Herb butter has good keeping qualities; the flavor becomes more pronounced upon storing in the refrigerator. Packed in small cheese crocks, it makes a thoughtful gift.

1 cup salted butter
1½ teaspoons fines herbes
1 teaspoon Beau Monde seasoning

- Cream butter.
- Add seasonings and blend well.
- Cover tightly and store in refrigerator.

PAPRIKA BUTTER

1 cup butter, creamed
¼ cup butter, melted
4 teaspoons onion powder
4 teaspoons paprika

- Melt ¼ cup butter and add onion powder. Cool.
- Add paprika, then blend into creamed butter.
- Store in covered crock in refrigerator.
- Serve as a sauce for fish, or as a spread on crackers. See recipe below.

DEVILED TRISCUITS

A tasty accompaniment for cocktails, soups or salads. Garlic butter, lemon or mustard butter may be used in place of the paprika butter. These *Triscuits* will keep for 2 to 3 weeks if stored in a dry, airtight container.

1 large package Triscuits (10 ounces)
1 cup paprika butter

- Cream paprika butter until easy to spread.
- Spread *Triscuits* generously and place on a baking sheet.
- Bake in moderate oven (350°F.) for 10 minutes, or until butter has melted and penetrated *Triscuits*.
- Cool thoroughly and store in airtight container.

CURRIED BRAZIL NUT CHIPS

Tough Brazil nutshells can be easily removed if the nuts are covered with cold water, brought to a boil and boiled 3 minutes. [Continued on page 109]

$64 question: how to save for a home

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been extravagant, but something was obviously wrong. When we decided we needed a larger place, we knew it meant living on a smaller income.

Adele Bauman: Where did you cut down?

John Prentki: Everywhere. Many couples say that if only the husband could get a raise they could save that amount each month. Unfortunately, the tendency is to raise personal standards. This is a good thing, but if the couple wants a house or to save for something else, they must hold down their sights for a while.

Lucille Prentki: This doesn't necessarily mean a lowering of standards. Young couples, if determined, can save in numerous ways. Each little saving may be small individually, but when combined in a group it may prove quite substantial.

John Prentki: The way to go at it depends on the couple and how much they plan to save.

Lucille Prentki: We think that a couple with children—we have three—can't hope to save more than 10 per cent of take-home pay and preferably less unless it's for a short period of time.

John Prentki: I've found that Lucille and I don't like a strict budget because we find too many excuses for transferring funds. Frankly, those "only this once" items can cause real ill-feeling between partners. We use what we call the "reduced income" plan. First we determine how much we have to save and over what period of time. We then put in the bank the stipulated amount from each pay check immediately. An amount for living expenses, for monthly bills, etc., we put in the checking account.

Lucille Prentki: We've found numerous ways of making savings. I buy all clothing, bedding, furniture, etc., whenever possible, on sale. Sending clothes to a commercial laundry will not help saving. If you don't have a washer at home, go to a self-service laundry. Your own washer or your supervision at the self-service laundry may extend the life of your clothes from 15 to 25 per cent.

John Prentki: Yes, and we cut down on food.

Chuck Heyn: That's certainly possible. We had months of hamburger dinners to save enough to get our new home in order. We didn't mind them at all.

John Prentki: We found that you've got to buy carefully and shop around. One store may have excellent buys on fruits and vegetables and another on meats. Buy more economical cuts. They may take longer to prepare, but they're good tasting.

Lucille Prentki: Doing all our own decorating and improvements in two homes at only the cost of the materials has meant a lot. Even with the increase in John's salary, we're still doing that. Mainly, I suppose, because we enjoy it.

John Prentki: We even extended our savings program to the car; we cut those trips to get a quart of milk or some other small item, a block away. Walk, it'll do you *and* the car good. We used public transportation when we felt it would be cheaper; we eliminated and combined trips where possible. There are any number of ways to save when you're determined. Some places, you can get extra income by working week ends. Agreed, it's inconvenient, but it helps get to your goal.

Lucille Prentki: You can raise your own vegetables, too. Many cities have space for people who want gardens but have no land of their own. Buy foods in season; can and preserve them.

THE WIFE WHO WORKS

Ken Myers: Even with raising part of your own food, you can't save much on my income. So our plan has included my working week ends near home, and a job for Kathy.

Barbara Carroll: I'm glad you brought that point up. It worries me. Glen and I have the same arrangement. I'm administrative assistant to the city manager in Tucson. We pay running expenses out of Glen's salary and bank the

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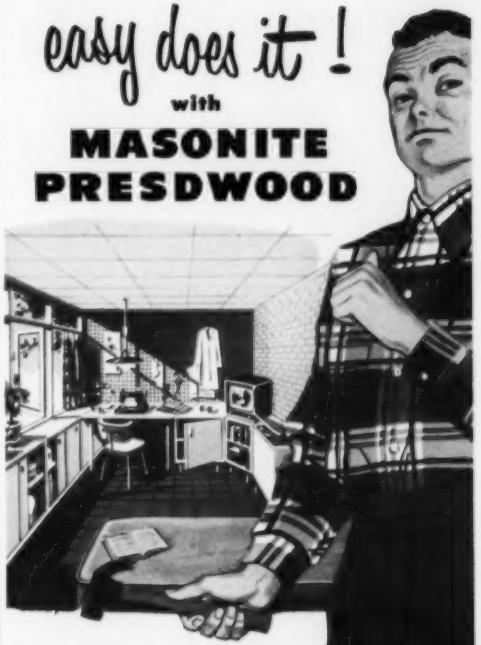

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rest. After taxes, pension fund, hospitalization, etc., we save about $2,400. I know I'm not 100 per cent wife *or* mother while I have to work, but we want a home while we're young enough to enjoy it, so I plan to work for two more years. It would be rough on the Johnsons with three children, but it can be done.

Glen Carroll: I know that Barbara dislikes leaving part of our small son's rearing to someone else; she feels it's an intangible we may grow to regret. How do you feel about working when there's a child at home, Mrs. Myers?

Kathy Myers: Well, I'm luckier than most working mothers. My father and mother bought a greenhouse near where we live, and I work there mornings. I take Noel along and he has twenty acres to explore while I'm busy. It's an ideal arrangement, because I don't feel that he's neglected.

June Spangler: We have no children, so that hasn't been a problem. But I work as an insurance broker, have worked for nine years, and my income has been important in getting our home.

Carol Heyn: My part-time work at public relations for the Red Cross has been a big factor in our budget, too. Of course my work's part time, so there's plenty of time left for the two young Heyns. With the money I made this fall, we'll get the house painted outside and buy new dining room furniture.

Adele Bauman: I'm working as an advertising copywriter in Providence. Since Art's still going to school, my salary is important in our setup, too.

FINANCING THE HOME

Ken Myers: We figure that two years of saving Kathy's whole salary and what I earn week ends will put us in a position to build.

Kathy Myers: The lot will be a gift from my parents; we'll have twenty acres to choose from.

Ken Myers: In addition to the lot and savings, we're counting on a G.I. loan to see us through. I imagine a good many couples in this discussion are, too

Valerie Ahlgren: We're buying our house with it. The down payment of $600 and closing cost of about $300 we got from childhood savings, war bonds, and a small endowment insurance policy.

Dexter Ahlgren: The only money we borrowed was $75. We did this to establish a credit rating. We've never allowed ourselves the indulgence of installment buying, and this was done only to establish ourselves as a stable risk for a home loan.

Barbara Carroll: That's a good point. We've financed two cars and a freezer through the bank, primarily to establish a good credit reference, so that they'll be kindly disposed when we ask them for a loan to build.

Glen Carroll: For the rest, we intend to finance our home with the usual FHA or veteran's loan if interest rates are adjusted so that the bank will make the loan.

Barbara Carroll: That brings up another side of this question. You know, if a man making $5,500—which is about $2,500 over the national average income—can't buy a home, then is this the time to invest such a sum of money? Would it be better to rent and wait until $5,500 per year will allow a man a decent home? We have a friend who came to Tucson and rented with option to buy in a year. Prices came down enough in that time so that he was money ahead because he waited. Of course he paid a year's rent.

Chuck Heyn: It's hard to answer that question, because you can't foresee what the housing picture will be at any given time hence. Carol and I were lucky with our first house because we were able to sell it at a profit. We had financed it through a loan of $3,500 from my mother—which we are paying back gradually. We started building a $10,000 four-room house which we intended to enlarge later on. Our $6,000 FHA loan carried payments just under $50, which we could handle nicely.

Carol Heyn: I'd like to add

here that family assistance, much as Chuck and I appreciated it, sort of threw us off. We feel now that if we'd had to scrimp and scrape a little more we'd have been more cautious about selecting plans for the first bungalow we built. After three years, it completely failed to satisfy us as the place where we'd be spending the rest of our days.

Chuck Heyn: Actually, the experience was a good one and all ended well because, as I said, we were able to sell at a profit. We scouted around for an older, two-story house which we bought for about $14,000. We sold the bungalow for $12,000, paid off the old loan of $6,000, and took another FHA loan of $8,400 on our present place.

Carol Heyn: We haven't been sorry. Our monthly payments are still under $70; the kitchen and bath were newly remodeled; the place was carpeted and livable for some time. Incidentally, it's about 30 years old

SELL ONE HOUSE, BUY ANOTHER

Adele Bauman: You've brought up something which Art and I have been thinking more and more of doing when we come to buy a house. The idea of starting off with a temporary, very modest home that would meet minimum needs is a sound one, it seems to us.

Art Bauman: Yes, a small amount could be accumulated by, say, moving into a less expensive house or apartment and enduring the hardships of too few rooms, ill-planned kitchen, little closet space for a while. The Johnsons, for example, could likely borrow on their insurance policies. Regardless of *how* they get the small nest egg, they could get the temporary house and then go on saving in earnest, with the expectation that when they sell, they will realize a good part if not all of what they've invested. With a little luck and some down-to-earth pencil work before they buy this transition place, they'd stand a good chance of having lived rent-free during the interim.

Adele Bauman: Starting off with a temporary house has the further advantage that the initial and hardest budget-pinching campaign becomes a shorter haul and much easier to accomplish. The first house you go into shouldn't be thought of as the realization of an ideal any more than as a compromise with their ideal. It's rather the first solid step toward that realization—an advantageous substitute for the futility of renting where one's money goes forever down the drain.

Lucille Prentki: We bought our first house right after John was discharged from the army in 1947. It cost us $9,600 and required a down payment of $2,000. When our second child was born we realized that the house was poorly laid out; all the traffic was through the living room and I could never seem to keep it neat. We decided we needed a larger, better-planned home.

John Prentki: Then we went into our year-and-a-half saving period. Three years ago, we found the house we knew would be right for us from here on. We paid $19,500 for this house, assuming a $9,000 mortgage. We had saved $2,000; we sold our first house at a profit and received $5,000 from the proceeds. We borrowed $2,500 from Lucille's father, and that did it.

Lucille Prentki: We firmly believe that buying a smaller house first and then moving to a larger one is a wise move. It's true that other couples may not be as lucky in realizing a profit from the first one as we did, but it does give a family a home to live in, a chance to save money by paying on a mortgage instead of rent.

John Prentki: In the end, however, the discussion about how to get a home of your own comes right back where it started—to saving. I think the greatest thing to remember is that a couple must be willing and determined to save. They must not think in terms of "so and so having something new" or trying to "keep up" with anyone. They must live their own lives in order to achieve the goal they have set in mind.

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Q. Several of our trees have low branches, so large that they cast more shade than we want. When is the best time to have these sawed off? R. B. L.

A. December, January, and early February are best, unless the trees are maples. July is the preferred time for maple pruning.

Q. My shrimp plant is doing beautifully, and I would like to try growing cuttings from it if that is possible. Can you tell me how to do it? Mrs. B. E. F.

A. Select strong, nonflowering shoots and cut them off cleanly about three inches from the tip, and just below a pair of leaves which should also be sliced off. Insert cuttings in small pots of moist sand and soil (half sand, half soil), cover with inverted glasses, and keep in a light but not sunny place until well rooted.

Q. Can you tell me why several of my begonias have many leaves which turn yellow and drop off? The plants were repotted in fresh soil two months ago. K. D. Y.

A. Perhaps the air in the house is too dry, the soil too heavy and dense, or the drainage holes in the pots are clogged. If you use gas for cooking or heating there may be a slight leak somewhere which harms the plants.

Q. I have been given several dozen new tulip bulbs but find that I will not have a chance to plant them until the middle of December. Will this be too late in the season? J. C. C.

A. No, as long as the ground is not frozen. To be on the safe side, better cover it now with dead leaves or anything else that will keep out the frost.

Q. Is there any general rule as to the depth at which a tree or shrub should be planted? Y. G.

A. Yes. When the planting is completed, the surface of the soil should reach to or only slightly above the level at which the plant was formerly growing. This old "soil line" can usually be determined by close examination of the bark.

Q. Would you suggest a low flowering shrub for hiding the bare lower trunks of our old lilac bushes? Mrs. T. K. W.

A. Nanking cherry *(Prunus tomentosa)* would be good. It is a hardy plant, and pretty both in flower and when fruiting.

Q. Is there any way of killing a large tree trunk that simply refuses to die? Green shoots keep appearing. M. F. V.

A. In the early spring, bore half-inch holes down into the wood for six inches, just inside the bark. Bore them about five inches apart and keep filled with kerosene.

Q. Please recommend some medium-size ornamental vines that would train well around the inside of two large, southward-facing windows. T. P.

A. English ivy, grape ivy, black-eyed-Susan vine *(Thunbergia alata)*, and creeping fig *(Ficus pumila)* should all do well.

Q. The buds on my Christmas cactus plant keep falling off. Can you suggest a reason? T. L.

A. Frequent causes are cold drafts, too much or too little watering, or rough handling of the plant after the buds first become visible.

SARDINE SERVINGS

Sardines are to some extent victims of their own popularity. They are so handy for ready-to-serve snacks that we often neglect to try them any other way. The following recipes—specially prepared for us by famed chefs for use with Norway sardines—offer some interesting ideas for including sardines in your menus.

TOASTED SARDINE-CHEESE SANDWICHES

1 3¾ ounce can sardines
6 slices white bread
6 slices American cheese
butter or margarine

- Butter bread on both sides.
- Put 1 slice of cheese on each of 3 slices of bread.
- Place sardines over the cheese and then cover with remaining cheese slices; top with bread.
- Cut off crusts of bread, if desired, and broil on a grill or in oven until golden brown.
- Cut in thirds and serve with sliced dill pickles.

SARDINES PARISIENNE

1 3¾ ounce can sardines
½ cup diced new carrots
½ cup diced potatoes
½ cup green peas
1 tablespoon chopped chives
2 hard-cooked eggs, sliced
3 tablespoons mayonnaise
12 pimiento strips

- Cook vegetables in salt water until tender; cool, drain well.
- Toss vegetables together and add the mayonnaise flavored with the chives.
- Arrange vegetables on a platter; place slices of hard-cooked eggs over the vegetables.
- Top each slice of egg with a sardine and pimiento strips.
- Garnish with tomato rosettes, lettuce, parsley, lemon wedges, and mayonnaise.

DEVILED SARDINE CANAPÉS

1 3¾ ounce can sardines
5 slices white toast
3 tablespoons bread crumbs
2 tablespoons prepared mustard
oil from can of sardines
juice of 1 lemon
2 lemons for garnishing

- Mix mustard with lemon juice and oil from the sardines.
- Roll sardines in mustard preparation, then in bread crumbs.
- Broil for a few minutes.
- Cut toast into small wedges; spear sardines to toast.
- Serve hot on a tray garnished with lemon wedges and water cress or parsley.

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Drain; cover with cold water for a minute, drain again and crack.

1½ cups shelled Brazil nuts
2 tablespoons butter or margarine
1 teaspoon curry powder
1 teaspoon salt

- To slice Brazil nuts in thin slices, cover the shelled nuts with cold water and bring slowly to a boil; boil 3 minutes and drain.
- Cut into thin, lengthwise slices with a very sharp knife.
- Spread nut slices in a shallow pan and dot with butter; sprinkle with curry powder and salt mixed together.
- Bake in a moderate oven (350° F.), 15 to 20 minutes, stirring occasionally.
- Yield: approximately 2 cups of chips.

CHILI NUTS

¼ cup butter or margarine (½ bar)
1 pound unsalted nuts (peanuts, almonds or filberts)
2-3 teaspoons chili powder
¼ teaspoon garlic salt

- Melt butter or margarine in heavy skillet over low heat.
- Add nuts and seasonings.
- Cook over low heat, 5 to 8 minutes, stirring constantly.
- Cool and store in an airtight container.

ALMOND PASTE

2 cups blanched almonds, thoroughly dried
½ cup granulated sugar
½ cup confectioners' sugar
1 teaspoon lemon juice or almond flavoring

With the blender:

- Place nuts in blender, ½ cup at a time, and chop until fine.
- Empty container into a bowl and repeat until nuts are all chopped.
- Work sugar and lemon juice into nuts, using hands.
- (Kneading by hand is important here, because the warmth of your hands will bring out the oil in the nuts, resulting in a very much smoother paste.)
- Knead thoroughly until paste holds its shape when pressed into a ball. (Color will darken slightly during kneading.)
- Store in tightly covered container in refrigerator for a week before using.

NOTE: This is a very stiff paste; if it is not moist enough to hold together, add 1 or 2 teaspoons of water, but no more.

With the food chopper:

- Grind almonds, using the finest knife of food chopper, run them through chopper 3 times.
- Proceed as with blender.

MACAROONS

1 cup almond paste (see recipe for almond paste)
1 cup granulated sugar
2 egg whites, beaten
1 teaspoon almond extract

- Heat oven to 325°F. (slow).
- Mix all ingredients thoroughly.
- Shape into balls about 1 inch in diameter.
- Line cooky sheet with unglazed paper (brown wrapping paper or paper towels).
- Place cookies on paper, well apart.
- Bake 25 to 30 minutes or until light golden brown.
- Remove paper from pan; place on wet towel (not just damp).
- Remove cookies.
- Yield: about 3 dozen cookies.

MARZIPAN
(or almond creams)

1 cup almond paste
2¼ cups confectioners' sugar
1 egg white, unbeaten
1 teaspoon almond, vanilla or lemon flavoring

- Mix all ingredients thoroughly.
- If mixture is a little dry, moisten your hands with water, and shape candy into fruit shapes or balls.
- Fruit-shaped candies may be painted with food coloring, if desired.
- Roll balls in cocoa or a mixture of cinnamon and cocoa.

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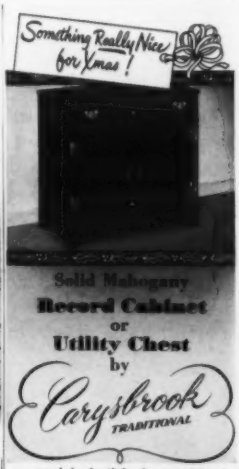

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- Yield: about 1½ pounds of candy.

CHOCOLATE TRUFFLES

2 packages of semisweet chocolate morsels
2 tablespoons butter
⅓ cup condensed milk
1 teaspoon vanilla
½-1 cup chopped filberts

- Melt chocolate morsels in double boiler over hot, NOT BOILING, water.
- Stir in butter and condensed milk.
- Remove from heat, add vanilla and chopped nuts.
- Pat into a buttered 9-inch pie plate or shape into balls and roll in cocoa.
- Yield: about 1 pound of candy.

FRUITCAKE WITH BRANDY

Making a fruitcake for the holiday season is a great American tradition. If you didn't get one made this year you can buy some very fine ready-made cakes for a moderate price. A marzipan icing will give the "bought" cake your own personal touch. For serving unfrosted fruitcake at holiday parties, pour preheated brandy over the cake and light. Use about 2 jiggers for every pound of fruitcake. Turn out the lights and watch the beautiful blue flame slowly go down; then serve.

MARZIPAN ICING

1 cup almond paste
1 cup confectioners' sugar
¼ teaspoon almond flavoring
1 egg yolk
¼ cup orange juice

- Blend ingredients together thoroughly. If too thin to spread, add more sugar.
- Spread over fruitcake, Christmas cookies, or cut fruitcake into bars and frost all sides of each bar.
- Dry thoroughly before packing.

SCOTCH SHORTBREAD

True Scotch shortbread is about one-half-inch thick and very pale yellow color. It does not brown in baking. It can be purchased in food specialty shops throughout the country. However, it is very easy to make. This recipe may be cut into fancy shapes, or rolled into a circle to fit a shallow pan and cut into squares or wedges for serving.

1 cup soft butter
⅔ cup sugar
2½ cups sifted flour

- Heat oven to 300°F. (slow).
- Mix butter and sugar thoroughly (this may be done with your hands).
- Add flour.
- Chill dough in refrigerator until it is quite firm, but not hard.
- Roll out ½-inch thick. Cut into fancy shapes (rounds, small leaves, squares, hearts) or into a square or circle that will fit into pie or cake pans. Press edges with tines of fork and prick the dough.
- Bake for 20 to 25 minutes.
- Yield: about 2 dozen small cookies.

CANDY CAKE

This confection, made with ready-to-eat cereal or popcorn, may be packed into any desired pan or mold. Cut in squares for TV snacks, or slice and serve with ice cream and hot fudge sauce for a delicious dessert.

4 cups corn flakes or Kix
2 cups crisp rice cereal
½ cup salted peanuts
1 cup shredded coconut
1 cup white corn sirup
1 cup sugar
½ cup light cream
pinch of salt
1 tablespoon butter
1 teaspoon vanilla

- Combine corn sirup, sugar, cream and salt in saucepan and cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until mixture reaches the soft ball stage (238°F.).
- Remove from heat; stir in butter and vanilla.
- Combine cereals, peanuts, and coconut in large bowl.

- Pour sirup over cereal mixture and mix thoroughly.
- Butter hands.
- Press into a buttered 10-inch tube or spring-form pan, or 9-inch cake pan.
- Let cake stand several hours, or until firm enough to slice.
- Yield: 20 to 30 pieces.

FILBERT MERINGUE BARS

Deliciously rich, two-layer cooky with a jelly filling. This cooky requires two baking periods. The crust bakes first for about 10 minutes, then the filling and meringue is spread on and baked for about 25 minutes.

Part I

½ cup butter or margarine
½ cup sifted confectioners' sugar
1 cup sifted flour

- Preheat oven to 350°F. (moderate).
- Cream butter and sugar thoroughly.
- Mix in flour.
- Press and flatten with hands to cover bottom of 13 x 9-inch pan.
- Bake 10 minutes; remove from oven; spread with following filling and topping.

Part II

½-¾ cup softened jelly (currant or raspberry)
2 egg whites
½ cup granulated sugar
¼ teaspoon cinnamon
1 cup ground filberts

- Spread jelly over bottom layer.
- Make meringue of egg whites and sugar, beating until sugar is completely dissolved and meringue is stiff but not dry.
- Fold in ground filberts and cinnamon and spread mixture over jelly layer.
- Return to oven and bake an additional 25 minutes or until topping is slightly brown.
- Cool, cut into 30 bars.

CAVATZONÉ

Gourmet friends on your Christmas list will be intrigued with this distinctively seasoned dish that originated in southern Italy. It may be served as an appetizer, with beverages, or as an entree for luncheon or supper. When served cold it slices nicely. Cut it in squares when you serve it hot.

Part I

1 tablespoon olive oil
1 pound ground beef or pork (not seasoned sausage)
½ cup chopped onion
¼ cup grated Parmesan cheese
½ cup Swiss cheese
1 egg
¼ teaspoon Tabasco sauce
1½ teaspoons salt
¼ teaspoon anise
2 tablespoons finely chopped parsley

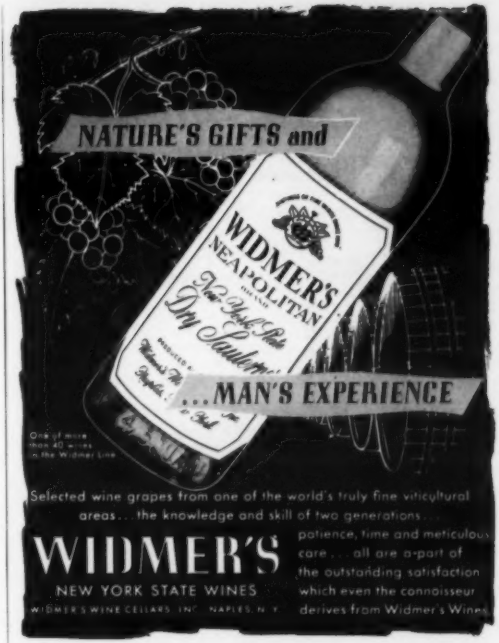
- Cook meat and onion in olive oil until gray—do not brown.
- Remove from heat and add other ingredients.
- Preheat oven to 400°F. (hot).

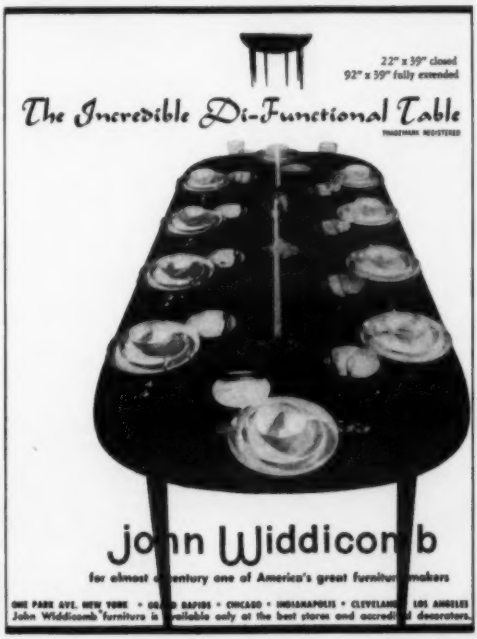
Part II

Make a rich biscuit dough of the following ingredients:

2 cups sifted flour
3 teaspoons baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
⅓ cup salad oil, such as Wesson or Mazola
⅔ cup milk
1 egg yolk

- Sift flour, baking powder, and salt into a mixing bowl.
- Pour salad oil and milk into same measuring cup, but don't mix.
- Add milk and oil to dry ingredients.
- Stir with a fork until mixture cleans sides of bowl and rounds up into a ball.
- Knead about 10 times without adding flour. Divide dough into halves.
- Place one-half of dough between squares of waxed paper and roll to fit a 9-inch square pan.
- Spread meat mixture over dough in pan, then cover with remaining dough that has been rolled square.
- Brush with beaten egg yolk and bake about 30 minutes in hot oven (400°F.).
- Yield: as entree, this will serve 6, as appetizer, 12 to 15.





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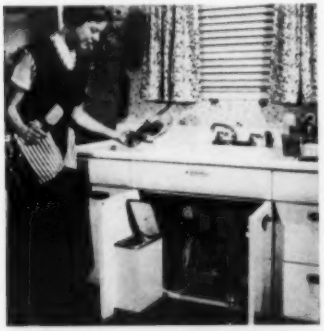

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A. Asbestos shingles are made of asbestos and Portland cement and will stand up perfectly if cleaned properly. Soap and water, applied with a stiff fiber brush, will remove most of the dirt. Other cleaning compounds—trisodium phosphate or sodium metasilicate and abrasive soap cleansers are also satisfactory.

Q. I would like to insulate between the beams of my attic floor, and as I have access to a large quantity of sawdust, I wonder if that would make a suitable insulation. Y. T.

A. Frankly, we would not suggest that you use sawdust to insulate any part of a dwelling. It would create a considerable fire hazard and an ideal breeding place for vermin. You should use instead of sawdust a good commercial brand insulation.

Q. Two years ago I paid a large sum of money to have a chimney installed outside the wall of my home in order to accommodate the flues from a new heating plant in the basement, and a new fireplace. A few months ago we began to notice that the chimney was leaning away from the wall and there is now a gap of about one inch up near the roof, decreasing to about one-eighth inch near the ground. What could be the matter with the chimney? F. S. D.

A. It seems apparent that the footing which was installed under the new chimney was inadequate in size and depth, or else it was laid on unstable ground. The weight of the chimney is gradually forcing it into the ground at an angle, causing it to lean out. We recommend immediate action. Have wrought iron strips placed around the chimney near the roof, midway on chimney, and at ground level. Run heavy screws through these into the house wall. This will prevent further leaning; the present crack can be filled.

Q. We have noticed that the first tub of water we draw is rusty, but water drawn after that is clear. What is the matter with our hot water system? H. J. P.

A. The pipes between the hot water tank and the fixtures are the source of the rust. If the fault lay in the storage tank the water would always be rusty. We suggest that you install new copper or brass pipe between tank and fixtures.

Q. I have an old cast-iron furnace in my basement and the catch or tongue on the fire door has snapped off. Will you please tell me whether this can be welded, or suggest some other way that I can repair it? J. D.

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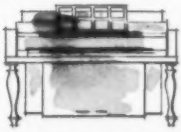

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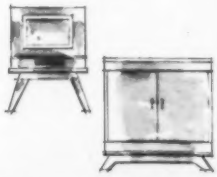

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THE ARCHITECT CHAMPIONS THE SMALL HOME

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Living room Pages 58-59

Lounge bed.....$159.00
Bolster support for lounge.....$15.00
Lounge chairs (each).....$89.95
Slat bench-coffee table.....$29.95
Desk.....$99.00
Side chair.....$12.95
Occasional table.....$29.95
Stacking tables (each).....$8.95
Curtain fabric (per yd.).....$1.95
Viscose rayon rug (per sq. yd.)..$9.95

Dining area Page 61

Dining table.....$79.95
Side chairs (each).....$12.95

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Lounge bed.....$159.00
Lounge chairs (each).....$29.95
Round coffee table.....$19.95
End table.....$19.95
Curtain fabric (per yd.).....$2.50
Clipped cotton rug (per sq. yd.)..$7.95

Master bedroom Page 62

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8-drawer chests (each).....$159.00
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Night tables (each).....$55.00
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Coffee server.....$6.00
Mug.....$1.25
Creamer.....$2.25
Sugar bowl (without cover).....$2.75
Flatware (per 6-piece place setting).....$9.75
Oyster forks (each).....$1.25
Tumblers (each).....$1.00
Lobster bib.....$1.25

AN OLD HOUSE IN NEW DRESS

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Wallpaper (per single roll).....$2.85
Cotton carpeting (per sq. yd.)..$9.95

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Upholstered armchair.....$142.30
Ottoman.....$93.80
Marble-topped table.....$39.95
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Viscose rayon rug (per sq. yd.)..$9.95
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Sun room Page 93

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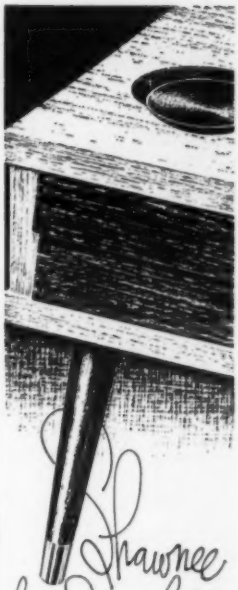

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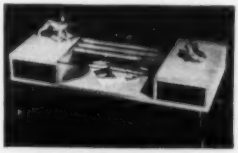

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MUSIC FOR LIVING

By DAVID RANDOLPH

As an aid to your Christmas gift-giving, I am devoting this month's column to capsule reviews of a number of records, divided, as you will see, into different categories. In every case, the record number is included.

FOR THE CHILDREN

Under the title of *Music of Poland* (Vol. 2) Vanguard has issued a group of Six Children's Songs, pleasingly sung by the mezzo-soprano Janina Godlewska, with the Symphony Orchestra of the Polish Radio under the direction of the composer, Witold Lutoslawski. The disc also contains seven Polish folk songs, performed by a native chorus. In case you cannot obtain this record (VRS 6013), Volume 1 of the same series contains some equally delightful music (VRS 6001).

The younger set might also respond to two native American movie scores, that of Aaron Copland for the film *Our Town*, and of Virgil Thomson for *The Plow that Broke the Plains*. Both are well performed on a 10-inch Decca record (DL 7527) by the Little Orchestra Society under the direction of Thomas Scherman.

FOR HUSBAND OR WIFE

Highlights from Rossini's popular opera, *The Barber of Seville*, have been issued on one Cetra disc (A 50140) in performances by the Orchestra of Radio Italiana and various capable soloists, under Fernando Previtali. Two attractive American ballet scores, Walter Piston's *The Incredible Flutist*, and Copland's *Appalachian Spring*, are in a contemporary idiom, and make very good listening. Arthur Rother directs the Symphony Orchestra of Radio Berlin on a Urania record (No. URLP 7092).

The complete music to Schubert's lovely *Rosamunde* can now be had on Westminster's WL 5182, in a fine performance by the Orchestra of the Vienna State Opera, under the young American conductor, Dean Dixon.

Lovers of Spanish piano music will delight in Jesús María Sanromá's interpretations for Polymusic Records (PRLP 1011) of works by Turina and Falla, including the latter's popular *Ritual Fire Dance*. Another Spanish idiom, this time the flamenco, is available on a 10-inch Esoteric Record (ES 2001) called *El Pili*. Music closer to home is represented in André Kostelanetz' recording of many of Cole Porter's hit tunes (Columbia's ML 4682).

Gershwin's *Concerto in F* has been issued on a Capitol record (P 8219) in a performance by the pianist Leonard Pennario, with the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra under William Steinberg. This is the work in which, as Walter Damrosch remarked, Gershwin "made a lady out of jazz." Yet, in writing the work in the form of a concerto, George Gershwin sacrificed none of the sparkle of the jazz idiom.

Béla Bartók's *Contrasts* combines the flavor of Hungarian folk music with a touch of American jazz (since it was written with Benny Goodman in mind, in 1938). The virile performance by Robert Mann, violinist, Stanley Drucker, clarinetist, and Leonid Hambro, pianist, has been magnificently captured on Bartók record No. 916. Morton Gould's catchy and colorful *Latin-American Symphonette* has been vivaciously set forth by the Eastman-Rochester Orchestra under Howard Hanson, on Mercury record MG 40002. The other side contains three rewarding works by the versatile, young American composer, Samuel Barber.

FOR GRANDPARENTS

A group of charming Elizabethan keyboard pieces has been recorded on EMS 236, by the harpsichordist Charles Koenig. Much of the music, besides making pleasant listening, is historically important. Handel is represented by a meltingly beautiful choral work, *As Pants the Hart* (Psalm 42), sympathetically sung by soloists, choir and Orchestra of the Netherlands Handel Society. Another anthem, *Let God Arise*, is also presented by the same forces, on the other side of this Handel Society disc (HDL 17). More Handel, this time three lovely *Viola Concertos*, are nicely played by Emanuel Vardi and the Stradivari Chamber Orchestra (Stradivari Record STR 617).

Four charming *Baroque Sonatas for the Violin*, by Telemann, Mattheson and Tartini, have been made available on Lyrichord record LLB, by the violinist Louis Kaufman, with Antoine Geoffroy-Dechaume at the harpsichord. Decca presents a disc of instrumental works by Corelli, Scarlatti, Vivaldi, Torelli and Boccherini in fine performances by the Virtuosi di Roma under Renato Fasano (DL 9649).

CAROLS FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

Marian Anderson, with piano: Victor (LM 7008). Columbia Choristers: Lehman Engel, conductor: Columbia (ML 2199). Welch Chorale: the feature of this recording is the interspersed interludes played on old music boxes: Vanguard (Van 427). Shaw Chorale: Victor (LM 1112 and LM 1711). The Randolph Singers: five voices: words and music included, to enable you to sing along. Westminster (WL 5100), Vol. 1; Vol. 2, with Gordon Myers, baritone (WL 5200).

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